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PARIS FATE SEALED?

FRANCE DECLARES CAPITAL AN OPEN CITY IN EFFORT TO SAVE IT FROM CARNAGE. DEFENDERS WITHDRAWN

FRENCH WILL NOT OFFER RESISTANCE IF SUBURBAN DEFENCES ARE PIERCED

Desperate "Last Ditch" Stand At St. Denis, But "We Are Too Exhausted To Attack"

— Says Official Spokesman

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, JUNE 14 (UP).—PARIS HAS BEEN DECLARED AN OPEN CITY.

In response to pleas from several quarters to save its famous buildings and art treasures from the destruction that would assuredly follow any attempt to defend the city against siege, the French High Command has instructed the Military Governor to withdraw everything of a military nature.

Germany Notified

Germany has been notified of the French decision by Mr. William Bullit, the U.S. Ambassador to Paris, who has conveyed to the Reich Government the information that Paris is now classified as an Open and undefended city and that the French Commander and garrison has withdrawn.

The decision applies only to the city itself, and fighting will continue until the enemy succeed in reaching the inner suburbs.

Defenders Outnumbered

The official French spokesman, commenting on the decision last night, said that the defenders of the capital were too exhausted and outnumbered to attempt any counter-offensive and once the Germans succeed in penetrating into the suburbs the French troops will retire.

By so doing, said the spokesman, it is hoped that the capital—one of the most beautiful and historic cities in the world—will be spared the horrors of destruction that have befallen Warsaw, Brussels, Amsterdam, Louvain and many of France's own cities.

Onus on Germans

"If and when the Germans start to fight their way into the city, the French troops will withdraw without offering resistance," said the spokesman.

"The onus will be on the Nazis to spare or destroy Paris," he added. The French forces will make a desperate last ditch stand at St. Denis, the suburban fortress on the Seine, two miles north of Paris. The Germans are now advancing on St. Denis from Chantilly.

At 3 p.m. yesterday, a French High Command communique said, the Germans were still 35 miles from Paris. They were in occupation of Creil, Senlis and Chantilly in the north and of the Marne River between Meaux and La Ferté in the east.

Trains Still Running

Although it has been decided to permit the Germans to enter the city unopposed, no order for evacuation has been given to the remaining populace. Trains are still running to the south and south-west.

None of Paris's famous bridges have been destroyed and it is now intended to leave them intact.

There are unconfirmed reports that German bombers attacked the industrial suburbs of the capital yesterday.

VIVID STORY OF RETREAT

PARIS, June 13 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that Paris will not be defended.

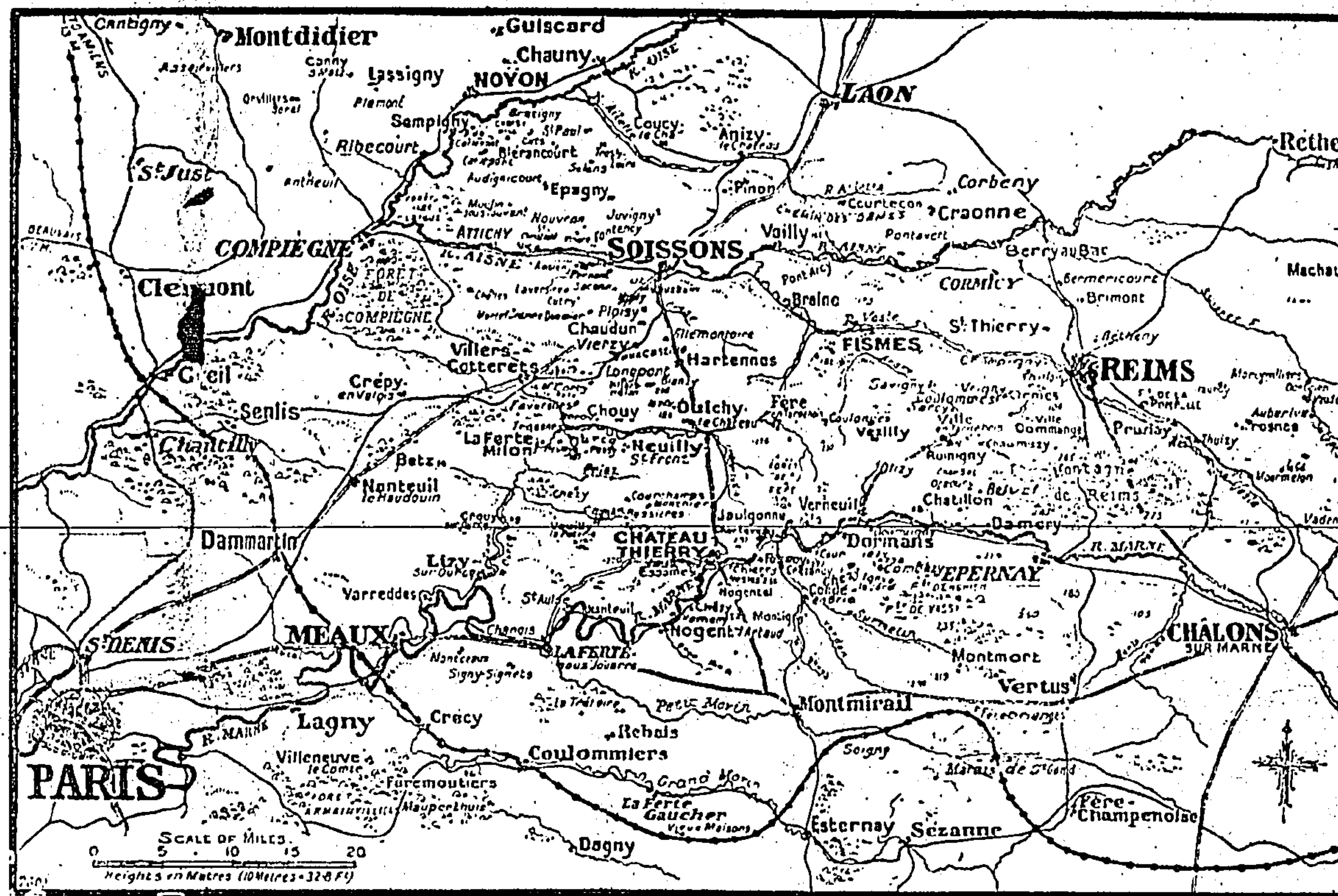
This means, as in M. Reynaud's words, that the French will fight in front of Paris and behind Paris.

The announcement is a logical sequel to the city being declared an open town, presumably to save it from destruction and bombardment.

of Louviers, south of the Seine River, and Les Andelys, north of the river. They have also started to pour over the bridge-heads of Vernon, south of Les Andelys in the direction of Pacy-sur-Eure and Evreux.

Drux, and Evreux have been bombed. The enemy have machine-gunned a column of refugees.

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Italians' Air Attack On Nairobi

ASMARA AND GURA BOMBED BY R.A.F.

CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. yesterday continued their attacks on Italian East Africa, bombing Asmara and Gura.

Direct hits destroyed hangars and buildings. All the aircraft returned.

One enemy fighter was shot down, two more are believed destroyed and a fourth damaged.

Blenheim bombers also raided Dire Dawa Aerodrome in Abyssinia, scoring direct hits on munition dumps and hangars.

The blaze from a munition dump was visible 30 miles away.

Macaca Also Raided

A further raid was made on Macaca, near Asaba. A fuel dump was set on fire and barracks were extensively damaged.

After three days of continual hammering of Italian military objectives in Libya and Italian East Africa, the R.A.F. have demonstrated that their bombers make straight for their objectives, and they have also shot down many Italian fighters.

Air Raids In Africa

NAIROBI, June 13 (Reuter).—A communique announces that British Moyale was twice raided by enemy aircraft yesterday.

One African raider was slightly wounded.

No damage was done.

Active Reconnaissance

The communique continued: "In the rest of the northern frontier district and in the coastal area, our machines were active on reconnaissance during Wednesday."

Waji was bombed at 6.30 this morning by three high-flying aircraft. Details of the damage are not yet reported, but the damage is considered to be slight.

Two R.A.F. personnel were slightly wounded and one machine damaged.

No penetration of Kenya territory has yet occurred from the ground, and all, it is reported, was quiet on the front this morning.

Italian Ships Take Refuge

MADRID, June 13 (Reuter).—A number of Italian merchantmen continue to take refuge in Spanish ports.

The official Spanish news agency reports that a French flying boat has been shot down.

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No Bells For Church-Goers

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The use of church bells for any purpose except giving warning of parachutists or other air-borne troops is prohibited.

Church and chapel bells may only be rung by the military or local defence volunteers.

NON STOP RAIDS

Fires Rage In Towns Over Wide Belt

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—"Reuters" special correspondent with the R.A.F. somewhere in France telegraphs:

Almost non-stop raiding has been carried out by this week R.A.F. bombers operating in close liaison with bombers from England and the French Air Force.

Bridges across the Seine, vital to the enemy's plan of encirclement of Paris, have been the chief objectives.

Fires have been raging in towns over a wide belt from the incessant aerial bombardment, which, started by the Germans bombing everything in the path of the advancing enemy, have been continued by Allied aircraft as the Germans pushed forward to occupy the bomb-scarred land.

No incessant have been the attacks

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LATEST

FRANCE DEFLANT

No Surrender Decision After Vital Meetings

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, June 13 (UP).

A joint meeting of the British and French High Commands and Governments was held to-day.

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A Look Through the "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

June 14, 1920.
A Munich film has made a carriage which is propelled by gas generated from benzene or analogous material. It can be placed in the rear of a three wheeled carriage over the main axle, and the benzene used in its propulsion is carried in a closed copper receptacle secured under the seat, from which it passes, drop by drop, to the generator. The speed of the motor is absolutely under control, and can be regulated by pressing a lever. A speed of about ten miles an hour can be attained.

A new photograph, said to be much simpler than any other so far introduced, has lately appeared in Milan. It can reproduce music and the human voice in a most accurate manner, and one of its features is its cheapness, the wax cylinders used costing only 25 centimes.

The alarm given for men-of-war at harbours to protect them from the sudden attack of torpedo boats at night is provided for by a device which is supported by buoy placed at intervals all round the vessel. The buoy is connected by a wire to a light which flashes up and down, and is visible from a distance.

25 YEARS AGO

June 14, 1915.
While a great deal of the blame of the reflection of the Government in placing before the country the whole truth, as much of it as may be told, without prejudice to our operations, concerning the fighting on the Continent, a similar modesty on the part of the British press without concealing a "Globe" correspondent.

We have now been at war nearly three years, and a year ago the country has not heard a single word from the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet, Lord Jellicoe, and others sent to donors of clothing. Of the details of the main fleet, we have heard nothing since the Admiralty issued, in September, a statement that a large force of ships of all classes had swept the North Sea and into the Bight of Heligoland, without even sighting an enemy ship. Apart from vessels engaged in coastwise work, only two battleships (other than those lost) have been named officially since the outbreak of war—namely, the "Dreadnought" and the "Queen Elizabeth". The interest and the enthusiasm of the public would be greatly stimulated by a report from Sir John Jellicoe summarising the work of the ships under his orders during the first three or six months of the war. There are other matters concerning which official information is considered overdue. We were told early in November, pending operations for her capture or destruction, but after the lapse of another six months no further word came. It is a matter of some interest to know that this ship has come to hand from official sources. Again, on March 20 there appeared in the newspapers an account of the sinking of the German cruiser, "Königsberg", of similar date to the sinking of the "Dreadnought", yet they have said not a word about the sinking of the "Königsberg".

10 YEARS AGO

June 14, 1930.
Jack Hobbs and A. P. F. C. Chappell, the captain, were the only two batsmen to make anything like a lengthy stand against the Australians in the day match which started at Nottingham today. At the close of play England had made 241 runs for the loss of eight wickets.

5 YEARS AGO

June 14, 1935.
Italy is seeking to establish a protection over Abyssinia. It is learned today in authoritative quarters.

James Bradstock, the Jersey Thunderbolt, and a year ago a penniless dock labourer, and father of a family of four living largely on "relief" to-day the world's heavyweight champion. He won a decision against the California dancing master, Max Baer, before a crowd of 40,000 in Madison Square Garden to-night.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, in a speech delivered today, said that international armament competition is threatening to precipitate that most dangerous and reckless of rivalries—an arms race.

"If it remains unchecked we shall witness national bankruptcies, hopelessly unbalanced budgets and inevitable inflation, plus the destruction of such national stability as has thus far been achieved."

Non-Belligerent Spanish Policy

MADRID, June 13 (Reuter).—Spain's decision to adopt a policy of non-belligerency is published in all newspapers as an official note, presumably on instructions from higher quarters.

The note says that to-day's official bulletin will contain the following decree signed by General Franco: "With the extension of the war to the Mediterranean by Italy's entry into the war with France and England, the Government has decided on the non-belligerency of Spain in the conflict."

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APOLOGY

On the 12th of June, 1940, we published a report dealing with the closure of Italian businesses in Hongkong, at the conclusion of which we stated as follows:—

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 17th day of June, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	438	Adjoining Garden Lot No. 438, South Bay Road.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	4,000	\$15	\$2,500
2	439	Adjoining Garden Lot No. 439, South Bay Road.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	4,000	\$15	\$2,500

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1	429	Adjoining Garden Lot No. 429, To Kwa Wan.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	3,720	\$13	\$2,750
2	430	Adjoining Garden Lot No. 430, To Kwa Wan.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	3,720	\$13	\$2,750

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Communique From Rome

Rome, June 13.

To-day's communique stated: "The Air Force carried out further bombing raids on enemy air bases according to plan. Raids on Bizerta and Tunis were of special importance. At Bizerta huge fires were started, damage to plant was caused, and aeroplanes on the ground were hit. Nine can be considered to have been put out of action. All our aircraft returned safely."

"In the Mediterranean one of our submarines torpedoed an enemy cruiser and an oil tanker of 10,000 tons. At Tobruk an attempted British air and naval attack was repulsed by our land, naval, and air forces. Slight damage was done to plant and one of our minesweepers was sunk."

"In Italian East Africa enemy aircraft were carried out on the aerodromes of Asmara, Gura, Adoua, and Agordat, causing slight material damage and 10 deaths among the Italians and natives engaged at the aerodromes."

"It has been definitely established that six aircraft were brought down by our fighters over Cyrenaica yesterday. Enemy aircraft, probably British, carried out night flights over a few towns in Northern Italy. Bombs which fell on Turin, an open town, caused a little damage and some loss of life among the civil population."—Reuter.

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1.03 Tangoes by Emil Roosa and His Orchestra.
1.13 The Orchestra Ravmonde.
1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends and the Street Singer.
2.15 Close down.

2.00 An hour of Variety.
2.05 Closing Local Stock Quotations.
2.02 Dance Music by Billy Cotton and His Band.

2.30 London Relay—The News.
2.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
2.03 Studio—Recital by Anne Balfour (Soprano) and John Smith (Piano).

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2. Deux Glaces en Rondoux (Rameau); John Smith at the Piano; 3. (a) Air de Teloire (from "Castor and Pollux"—Rameau); (b) Air de Venus (from "Thesee"—Lully); Anne Balfour with Piano accomp.; 4. Three "Mouvements Perpetuels" (Poulenc); John Smith at the Piano; 5. Four Airs Chantés (Poulenc); 1. Air Romantique; 2. Air Chanté; 3. Air Grave; 4. Air Vif; Anne Balfour with Piano accomp.

8.30 Tchaikowsky—Capriccio Italian, Op. 45.
8.45 The Don Cossacks, Choir in a Russian Programme.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs".

9.45 A Request Classical Programme.
11.0 Close down.

STOCK EXCHANGE EASIER

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, early firmness was not maintained owing to the extreme quickness of trading, but gilt-edged holdings recovered to small net losses. The other groups showed Wall Street was higher.

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4. The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.
5. All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.
6. No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.

7. All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
8. Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by smaller print in black and white.
9. No picture to entered in more than one Section.
10. Mounts to be only white or cream. Must be of one of the following sizes:—10x12, 10x20.
11. No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
12. Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
13. The decision of the Judges shall be final.
14. At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors on application to the Telegraph offices within seven days.

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LONDON REVIEW

London, June 13.
Fresh British reinforcements are already in line and are fighting with the French under their orders; it was stated in authoritative circles in London to-day. The thrust in the region of Rouen and the Seine seems to have slackened, at any rate for the time being, but the greater weight of the attack is now being put in by the Germans towards Paris, also southwards from Rheims towards the Marne, which they have reached at Chateau Thierry. But this attack appears to be held. As far as can be ascertained, the Germans have engaged all their armoured forces in the battle.

There is no confirmation of the London reports that large numbers of Italian troops were transported behind the German lines about a fortnight ago. Neither is there definite information that Le Havre has fallen.

German reports that they have captured incalculable supplies are discounted in authoritative circles. These losses are not enormous. As far as is at present known, the circumstances which the British division was cut off in Normandy and partly made prisoner are:

At the end of May they were in line with the French on the left of the lower Somme. They were not engaged under French orders and had been holding a very long front. Conjointly with the French they attacked about May 28 or 29 in an attempt to reduce the Abbeville bridgehead. Unfortunately this attack met with only partial success. Later, when two armoured German divisions penetrated round about Poix in an attack directed on Rouen, our division withdrew slightly to the line of the River Bresle where they were ordered to stand. Two days later they were ordered back to Bethune River, still keeping in line with the French.

The story from here onwards is not very clear, but it appears that two brigades were ordered back to assist the French in defence of Le Havre. The other two, with the French in the north, were unable to withdraw to the south-west towards Rouen as the Germans were already across that line of retreat. They therefore apparently retired on St. Valery-en-Caux, where, with certain French troops, they were surrounded. They had against them about four German divisions, including an armoured division.

St. Valery has not an open beach like Dunkirk, but has high cliffs and is a difficult place from which to embark. As ill-luck would have it, on the night the re-embarkation was to take place there was a very thick fog and it proved impossible to take off more than a comparatively small number. For the same reason few stores could be landed and the troops were running out of munitions.

It is feared, therefore, that somewhere about 6,000 must have been made prisoners, but it is not yet possible to give more accurate figures. The other two brigades ordered back from Le Havre were re-embarked and landed again in France. There is no confirmation of the German claim that they captured the British divisional commander—Reuter.

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OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

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INWARD MAILS

Manila June 15.
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Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 1st May) June 18.
Japan June 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 21st May) June 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 29th May) June 18.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 12th June June 19.
Calcutta and Straits June 19.
Java and Manila June 19.
Japan and Shanghai June 19.

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Saturday, June 15
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Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and United Kingdom Noon.
G.P.O. and K.P.O. Noon.

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Ord. June 15, 5.30 p.m.
Sunday, June 16
Amoy 9.00 a.m.
Shanghai Noon.

Monday, June 17
Canton 11.15 a.m.
Haiphong Noon.
Canton 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 18
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya 8.30 a.m.

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service".
K. P. O.
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Crossword Puzzle

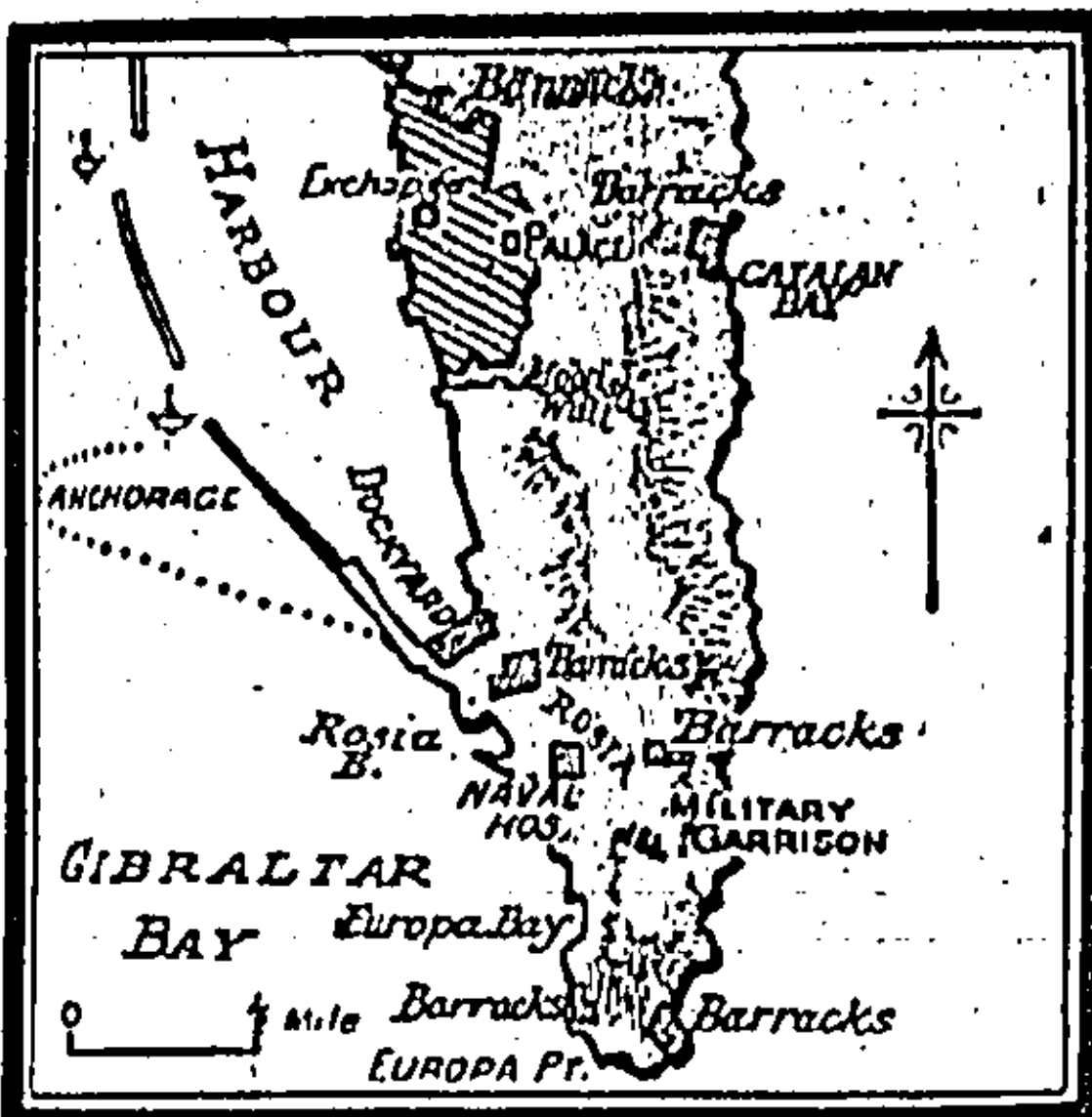
By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS	DOWN
1—Threaded pin	1—Motto name in Arabian Nights
2—Birds with flat of	2—Regulated night
3—Arrow poison of country (French)	3—Perverting manner
4—Tint Turkish	4—Boxer
5—Who steers boat	5—Materials of fine
6—Prophet	6—Brighten up
7—Fragrant plant to take place there was a very thick fog and it proved impossible to take off more than a comparatively small number. For the same reason few stores could be landed and the troops were running out of munitions.	7—Books in water
8—International language	8—Species of plant
9—Think not again	9—House (Italian)
10—Jewels	10—Put away in paper
11—Pertaining to Vice-President	11—One of several kinds
12—Hairs-pin	12—Unable to speak
13—Part of England	13—Brew
14—Tapestry	14—Last testament
15—Small moment	15—Particular in detail
16—Queen of fairies	16—Belt or scarf
17—Think back	17—Unpleasant
18—Cry plaintively	18—Lemon
19—Vict	19—Antenna
20—Discritical sign	20—Antenna
21—Ward and nut	21—Antenna
22—Rapid recovery	22—Antenna
23—Vocal	23—Antenna
24—Qualified	24—Antenna
25—Pretend air	25—Antenna
26—Jewels	26—Antenna
27—Thinking of bodily pain	27—Antenna
28—Fading of impelling character	28—Antenna
29—Jewels	29—Antenna
30—Verbal	30—Antenna

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MAGAZINE PAGE



GUIDE TO GIB.

GIBRALTAR is big news to-day. Its significance as the first important post on Britain's sea route to India and the Far East is apparent to everyone.

The Rock of Gibraltar is a precipitous narrow crag about three miles long running due north and south. It is also almost completely inaccessible both from the north and south, and it is only because there is a restricted shelf of land on the western side that it is possible to maintain it as a naval base and garrison.

When approached from the Spanish side across the race-course and military cemetery, the Rock rises perpendicularly for nearly 1,000 ft. At Europa Point, directly opposite the African coast, the cliffs rise to 2,000 ft. On the eastern side there is only a diminutive beach called Catalan Bay, reached by a narrow track from the north.

The naval harbour works are now very considerable, and have been developed from the first days of the occupation. The amount of ground available for building, and the erection of sheds and barracks was so small that the area had to be reclaimed from the sea. Some of the recovered land near the Alameda Gardens was once 40 ft. under water.

To-day the enclosed anchorage, within the huge stone moles, extends to 440 acres. Even at low tide there is a clearance of 30 ft. In addition, there are three large graving docks, one of them extending to more than 800 ft.

During the Great War Gibraltar was a main coaling station for the British Fleet. Latterly the dockyards have been equipped with huge oil fuel stores.

The harbour is deep enough at all times to accommodate the Mediterranean Fleet in safe anchorage. And in Admiralty intelligence Gibraltar is known as H.M.S. Commodore for the purposes of record.

THERE are hidden galleries all over the Rock and an elaborate tunnelling system. An attempt is being made to equip the forts with sufficiently heavy artillery to defend the harbour below against any attack.

Until recently there was scarcely any anti-aircraft organisation, but now a battery has been added to the garrison and, further, a special local defence force is being organised.

The present Governor and Commander-in-Chief is the famous soldier General Sir Edmund Ironside. He has under his command a force of some 3,218, consisting of two battalions of infantry—the 2nd King's Regiment and the 2nd Somerset Light Infantry, a Fortress Company of the Royal Engineers, three howitzer batteries, and details of Signals and the various corps of the commissariat.

THE native population, mostly descended from Italian and Spanish settlers, totals 16,859. Their numbers are severely restricted by the authorities because of the limited space in the little town.

"The Rock" has been a symbol of British mastery at sea since 1704, when it was surprised by a combined British and Dutch fleet under Sir George Rooke. Since then it has been maintained as a naval and military base, and only once has our possession been seriously threatened—at the time of the American War of Independence, when the Spaniards laid siege to it for four years from 1779 to 1783.

For the past 180 years the history of the Rock has been almost uneventful. Even during the Great War it did not figure in any prominent naval incidents, although all those years its harbour was the scene of great naval activity.

THE PERFECT BABY—

JOAN CONSTANCE BENNETT, of Filars-gate, Exeter, was once awarded a silver jug as a perfect baby.

Last week she collapsed and died. She had complained of toothache and about her throat.

A pathologist, at the inquest, attributed her death to a germ which, he thought, entered the bloodstream through a tooth socket.

Joan, one of 18 children, would have been nine in July.

An innocent abroad looks at



QUESTION: Where and what is Pantelleria?

ANSWER: A small Italian island strategically placed between Italy and North Africa, transformed into a sea and air base in the last two years. Like nearby Malta, the British base, it seeks to command the bottle-neck which joins the western and eastern basins of the Mediterranean.

Some experts say it is better placed than Malta because it lies like an anchored battleship right in the only deep-water channel, while Malta is further to the south-east. Forty-five square miles in area, it is crowned by 2,700 feet high Monte Grande.

Why Tunis gives Italy a headache

by HARRY GREENWALL

GABES (Tunisia). THE vital importance the French General Staff attaches to the Protectorate of Tunisia may be gathered from a remark made to me by a high French official who said: "If Italy declares war we shall invade Tripolitania so as to protect Egypt."

I have reason to know that this plan is within the knowledge of the Italian Government, and accounts in no small measure for the outbursts of claims respecting Tunisia.

The Italian-inspired Press states that the French intend to use this country as a jumping-off place to attack Tripolitania.

Whatever may be the truth concerning the Italian allegation, it must be a well-established fact that the French have absolutely nothing to fear from an Italian attack launched from the neighbouring colony.

The so-called Tunisian Maginot Line runs southwards from this city alongside the foothills which themselves descend perpendicularly to the Italian frontier. It is claimed that this colonial Maginot Line is even stronger than the Line alongside the Rhine.

With the official secrets I have nothing to do, but even a layman cannot imagine any foreign strategical launching an attack in this form terrain.

Impassable Barrier

GABES is approximately 250 miles from Tunis, and is linked to it by a railway line which follows the contours of the coast. The "pill-boxes" and subterranean fortresses which form the first line of defence may be even stronger than the experts say they are; but, at all events, the second line of defence, which is provided by the "Maginot" line, is an impassable barrier which will defy any weapon of offence except aeroplanes.

This second line is nothing less than two huge salt lakes which, except for a few miles, link the Algerian-Tunisian frontier with the Mediterranean.

In Arabic a lake is called "Chott." To the extreme west is Chott el Gharsa, which goes to the Algerian frontier eastwards to a small and narrow neck of land which separates the lake from the enormous Chott el Djerid, the end of which is roughly 20 miles from the Mediterranean.

So, even if an attacking force successfully overran the "Maginot Line" along the mountains to the south, it would be faced by a problem such as no military chief since Hannibal has ever had to face.

From impressions gained by personal inspection, and from knowledge imparted by persons who speak with the voice of authority, I am able to affirm that the French General Staff does not anticipate any danger from the south, but if the danger of attack does materialise it will come from the east, and for this reason work is going on day and night to fortify the Gulf of Hammamet.

Huge batteries of long-range guns have been erected just to the north of Sousse, and other batteries are being built between Zaghouat and Hammamet.

Bone Of Contention

It is claimed that the Port of Bizerte, north of Tunis, is a tactically strong position, and that the artificial lake behind Bizerte is big enough and deep enough to hold the whole British Mediterranean Fleet in comfort and safety.

This, I am afraid, is at the present moment rather an exaggeration.

The territory of Tunisia is about one-third the size of France, but a considerable part of it is uninhabitable. The population at the last census was 2,400,000.

We at home are apt to think of this country as one of those very far away places, and, yet do you know, this backdoor colony of France is just a mere 20 hours by sea from Marseilles, and by plane just an interval between an early breakfast and a late lunch?

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Can I have to-morrow afternoon off, Boss? My grandmother's getting married again!"

A FEW FACTS ABOUT OUR NEW ENEMY

ITALY

Population 43,578,000. Area 119,714 sq. miles.

The extent of land frontiers is 1,185 miles, coast length being 5,326 miles.

Agriculture, including the growing of grapes and olives, forms the principal industry, agricultural land extending to 70,548,878 acres. Is practically self-supporting in foodstuffs, produce of cereals totalling 10,000,000 tons.

Textiles are the largest and most important manufacturing industry.

Italy is not rich in mineral deposits, and is especially lacking in coal. Production of iron and steel amounts to only about 3,000,000 tons.

The chemical industry has been greatly developed, the production of sulphuric acid being 15,317,273 tons. Oil output is almost negligible.

Mercantile marine totals 2,071,830 tons gross.

Italy's colonial empire is principally in Africa, and consists of Italian East Africa (Eritrea, Ethiopia and Italian Somaliland) and Libya. On Good Friday, April 7, 1939, Italy invaded Albania, which is now part of the Italian Empire and is administered by a Lieutenant-General. Population 1,000,000. Area 10,629 sq. miles.

HONGKONG WAR GIFT Public Meeting Called For Next Friday

At the recent public meeting in St. Andrew's Hall, which was called to discuss ways and means of assisting the British War Organisation Fund, it was considered that many local residents would like to be associated with an effort to raise money for some specific gift, such as an aeroplane, an ambulance, a tank or a motor torpedo-boat, and the Rev. J. R. Higgs was asked to call another public meeting to decide which one of these should be selected.

Mr. Higgs therefore announces that a public meeting will be held in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel next Friday, June 21, at 6 p.m.

All members and sections of the public on both sides of the harbour are invited to be present, and it is hoped that the attendance will be worthy of the purpose of the meeting.

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HELPFUL HINTS FOR YOUR SCRAP-BOOK

HOW often have you read dozens and dozens of household hints and promptly forgotten all about them. Then some day when you want to mend an ornament or take a stain out of some material you cannot remember the valuable hints you had read.

So to-day, in order to assist you, we are publishing many useful household hints. They can easily be cut out and pasted into a "Household Hint Scrapbook." You've no idea how useful it will be. Just try it.

RECIPES always call for level measurements unless "heaping" is specified.

A SALAD made with eggs, fish, meat, chicken, vegetables or other substantial foods calls for a heavy dressing such as mayonnaise.

TRY strong tea to remove raw vegetables stains from the fingers.

A little flour added to the fat in which eggs are to be fried, will keep them from popping and scattering grease.

A LITTLE vinegar added to the last rinse in laundering lingerie or hosiery is said to add strength to the materials.

SAGGING seats of cane chairs can be brought back into shape. Turn them upside down and wash with soapy water. Use plenty of water, both for washing and rinsing. The seats should be thoroughly soaked, and in drying they tighten up into shape again.

LACE curtains may be washed in the washing machine with safety if enclosed in a pillow case.

IT IS possible to rebake a joint without losing any of the essential goodness if this method is followed: Cover the meat with hot mashed potatoes, dipping the knife in hot water and making the covering smooth, brush over with beaten egg, or dredge with raspings, and place in a fairly hot oven until thoroughly heated and browned. Serve with the usual sauce.

If a deep saucepan is not available for a large pudding, it is possible to improvise one by inverting a slightly larger saucepan on top of the one in which the pudding is steamed.

FOR lighter scrambled eggs, add one level teaspoon of baking powder for every six eggs used just before cooking.

YOU will get a few more months of wear out of a worn off, faded broom by soaking it in hot water for about five minutes and then trimming the straw evenly with a pair of shears.

IF YOU own an electric cooker, never try to remove stains from the aluminum with a fork or knife, as you may cut through the metal. Apply a little scouring powder, or steel wool. Or boil a little cider vinegar in the cooker.

A PIECE of carpet nailed to an oblong piece of board about the size of a blackboard eraser, is excellent to use for painting screens.

A TEASPOON of salt added to the water when boiling potatoes will keep the skins from breaking.

A WELL-equipped kitchen has strainers of different sizes, in a

variety of meshes, for straining orange juice, tea and vegetables.

WHEN sewing large pieces of work, such as sheets, table-cloths, and blankets, an excellent method of keeping the cotton handy is to use a large safety-pin, slip the reel through the pin, and fasten the pin on to the work in hand, near where you are sewing.

This enables you to draw a thread as desired without the cotton either falling on the floor or else being in an inconvenient place owing to the size of the work.

USE a drop of glycerine in the times when you "oil" the mending machine. Ordinary oil cannot be used because it might taint the food, but glycerine won't do any harm.

SHOULD the crown of a hat stretch so that it feels uncomfortable, try substituting a strip of velvet for the original silk inside binding, as it will then fit much better.

If the leather binding of a book is shabby or has mildew on it, rub with a soft cloth dipped in oil of lavender, and when dry, polish with a soft duster.

CORK table-mats can be quickly cleaned by first wetting them and rubbing with pumice stone. Rinse under a tap before drying.

SLIGHTLY warm newly-purchased tea in the oven before putting it into the caddy, and its flavour will be much improved.

G. G. T.

RUBBER bands wound around each end of a clothes hanger will keep blouses and dresses of flimsy textures from slipping off.

A PIECE bag made of mosquito netting or from an old lace curtain will save you the trouble of emptying the entire contents, as the piece you want will be seen from the outside.

THE perfect topping for well-buttered pancakes or waffles is a mixture of brown sugar, cloves and cinnamon.

If you like vegetable combinations, try cooking celery with tomatoes, add half a small onion, finely chopped, and season to taste.

A HOUSEWIFE greases her hands well before using washing soda or a solution containing lye.

LINENS should be kept in a closet that is dry but not too hot. No matter how immaculate a linen closet may be, it is good to use old sheets to cover linen shelves.

LIGHTLY waxed woodwork cuts down cleaning. Rub spots that are downed with oil, the areas around doorknobs and windows with a thin coat of floor wax. This forms a protective coating, making it very easy to wipe off finger marks.

WALLPAPER should be dusted periodically with a broom wrapped in a clean, dry cloth.

DID you know that one egg will do the work of a half-teaspoon baking powder in a cake?

TO remove old grass stains, rub with molasses and allow to stand for several days before washing. Fresh grass stains may generally be removed by soaking in alcohol.

WILTED celery can be crisped by placing in a pan of cold water to which half a lemon is added.

IN selecting summer draperies for a too-sunny room, concentrate on the cool colour, blues, greens and blue-violets.

TO fasten corks tightly in bottles, boil the corks for five minutes to soften them and then, while hot, press them into the bottles. When cool, the seal will be perfect.

Marmalade Scones

EATEN directly, or a few hours after they are made marmalade scones need no additional fat. Rub two ounces of marmalade into eight ounces of flour, a teaspoonful of cream of tartar, and half a teaspoonful of baking soda.

Add a tablespoonful of marmalade and enough milk to make a soft dough. Roll out, cut into rounds of triangles, and bake for ten minutes in a hot oven.

Devil's Food Cake

Add 1 cup of water slowly to 1 package devil's food mix; stir until smooth. Pour into two 8-inch greased layer cake pans. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 20 to 25 minutes. Prepare seven-minute frosting. To ½ frosting add ½ cup chopped chocolate-covered almonds. Spread between layers. Cover tops and sides with remaining frosting. Decorate with chocolate almonds.



Cookery Recipes

ALL raisins and currants are rich in natural sugar, so they are very helpful in eking out the sugar ration. In addition, these fruits afford concentrated nourishment in a remarkable degree. Here are a few thrifty recipes the family will enjoy.

Steamed Bread Pudding

Have 2 breakfasts cups soaked bread, 3 tablespoons chopped suet, 2 tablespoons syrup, 1 dessertspoon cocoa, 1 teaspoon cleaned sultanas or currants, 1 egg.

Soaked the bread for at least an hour in hot water. Squeeze out the surplus water and whisk with a fork. Add the other dry ingredients, and stir in the egg beaten with the syrup. Have the mixture fairly stiff, turn into greased basin, and steam steadily 2 hours. Turn out, and serve with custard sauce.

Baked Souffle

We generally think of souffles as luxury dishes, but this one, though delicious, is not extravagant.

Take 2 teaspoons breadcrumbs. Place 1 tablespoon margarine in lined pan, and add to it 1 breakfast cup milk. Heat it, then pour in the bread-crumbs, 2 tablespoons currants, and sugar to sweeten. Cook 5 minutes; cool; then add yolk of egg. Mix well, then fold in beaten white lightly.

Current Shortcake

When you are expecting friends home "on leave," here is a special treat you might give them.

Filling—1 ozs currants, 1 tablespoon moist sugar, ½ teaspoon mixed spice.

Cake-mixture—2 teaspoons flour, ½ teaspoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon caster sugar, pinch salt, 4 ozs. margarine, cold water.

Make the shortcake like shortcrust pastry. Divide into 2 equal portions, and roll each into a round about ¼ inch thick.

Mix the currants with the sugar and spice, spread them over one round of pastry, and distribute the margarine in small pats on top.

Damp edge of pastry and cover with second round. Press together, and mark edges neatly with a knife. Place on a floured baking tray, make a few holes in cake with a skewer, brush top over with milk, and bake in a fairly hot oven for 30-40 minutes. Serve hot or cold.

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Summer Catering

COLD meat is popular with well-made salads in warm summer weather. If possible, avoid cutting any slices off the hot joint, since valuable juices escape when this is done, and the cold meat loses flavour and nourishment.

During the summer, leaves of bread will keep fresher if they are wrapped up separately in greaseproof paper and laid on an airy shelf—a lath shelf for preference.

When making pastry in hot weather, choose the early morning or late evening if possible. See that the water is quite cold, keep the windows and doors wide open in the kitchen, and draw the blinds if there is any sun. A glass bottle is cooler than an ordinary rolling-pin for rolling out pastry in hot weather.

Jellies take longer to set in the summer unless they can be put in a refrigerator. Add a few drops of lemon juice, a little less water than stated in the directions, and put the mould in a bowl of cold salted water in a draughty place.

Junkets, on the other hand, require a warm, sheltered spot to set in. If they are required quite cold, they can be put in cold water or the refrigerator after they have set.

Coffee Cake Muffins

Cream 1½ tablespoons shortening with ½ cup sugar. Beat 2 egg yolks; add ¼ cup milk and 1½ cups flour, ½ teaspoon nutmeg, ½ teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons baking powder; add alternately with ¾ cup milk to first mixture. Pour into greased muffin pans. Combine ¼ cup flour, ½ cup brown sugar, ¼ teaspoon cinnamon. Add ¼ cup melted butter or margarine, mix until crumbly. Sprinkle crumbs on top of muffin batter. Bake in hot oven (400 degrees F.) 20 minutes. Serve hot. Makes 18.

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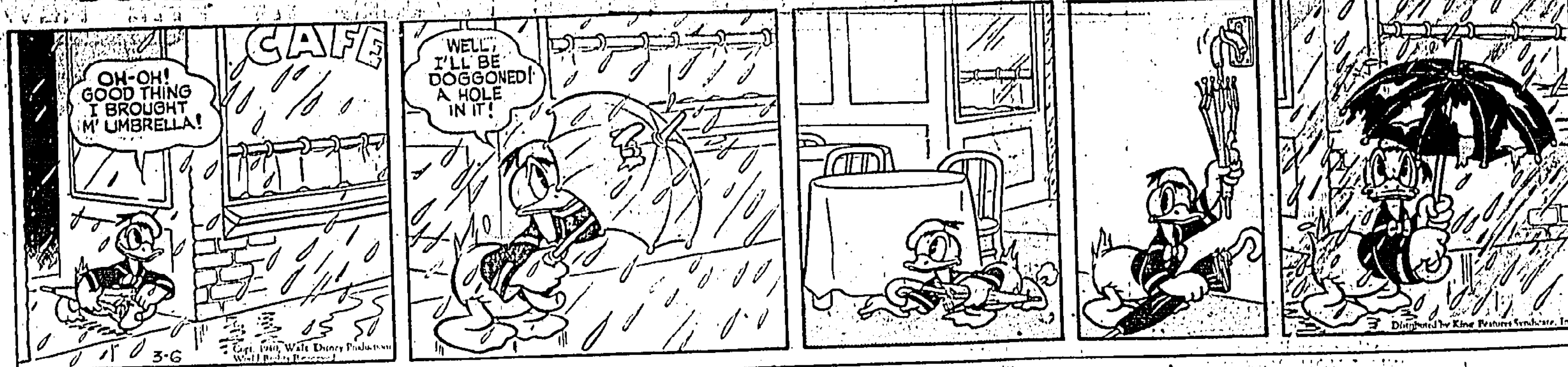
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Eton Boy's Academy Pictures

EDWIN BRAMALL, a 16-year-old Eton boy of Symons Street, S.W., has had two pictures accepted by the Royal Academy.

Surprised but proud he went to Burlington House to varnish them.

"I really sent them in for fun," he said.

"Last Christmas I painted 'The Ballot' as a holiday task. I made it up out of my head. It is a picture of a ballot as seen from a theatre box.

"My other picture, 'Sloane Square,' is a view painted from my parents' house. My mother suggested I should send them to the Academy.

"I study art at Eton under Mr. Wilfred Blunt, but I don't think I shall become a professional artist."

Nurse's Success

Miss Molly Halgh, who has had a picture accepted as a V.A.D. nurse at the R.A.F. hospital at Torquay, is a native of Buckinghamshire and until the war was a professional artist in London.

"This was the only picture I submitted and it was the first time that I had offered one to the Academy. It is the still-life group," she said.

Preparing For Victory Dance

LONDON, (UP).—One village in England is ready to hold its Victory dance at an hour's notice.

The village hall is booked, the band warned to attend at short notice, the tickets are printed, and the catering committee has its orders to go ahead immediately news of peace reaches Constable Frank Lee at the police station.

For Byfield village, Northamptonshire, has twice been let down. At the jubilee celebration of George V. and Queen Mary, and at the Coronation of the present King and Queen, every hall and band had been booked up and Byfield was left high and dry with no celebrations.

It does not intend a repeat of this when peace celebrations start up.

Only One Man Left Down on the (1,000-Acre) Farm

By an Agricultural Correspondent

FARMERS are becoming alarmed at the shortage of labour to cope with the grow-more-food drive. It is now their most pressing problem.

The National Farmers' Union have received reports from many parts of the country showing how serious the situation is.

In Gloucestershire three farms are mentioned where there is one man on 1,000 acres; a farm of 450 acres and no man; a farm of 400 acres with one girl and no man.

Cheshire reports farms of 150 to 200 acres with only one or two workers; Dorset reports an increasing shortage.

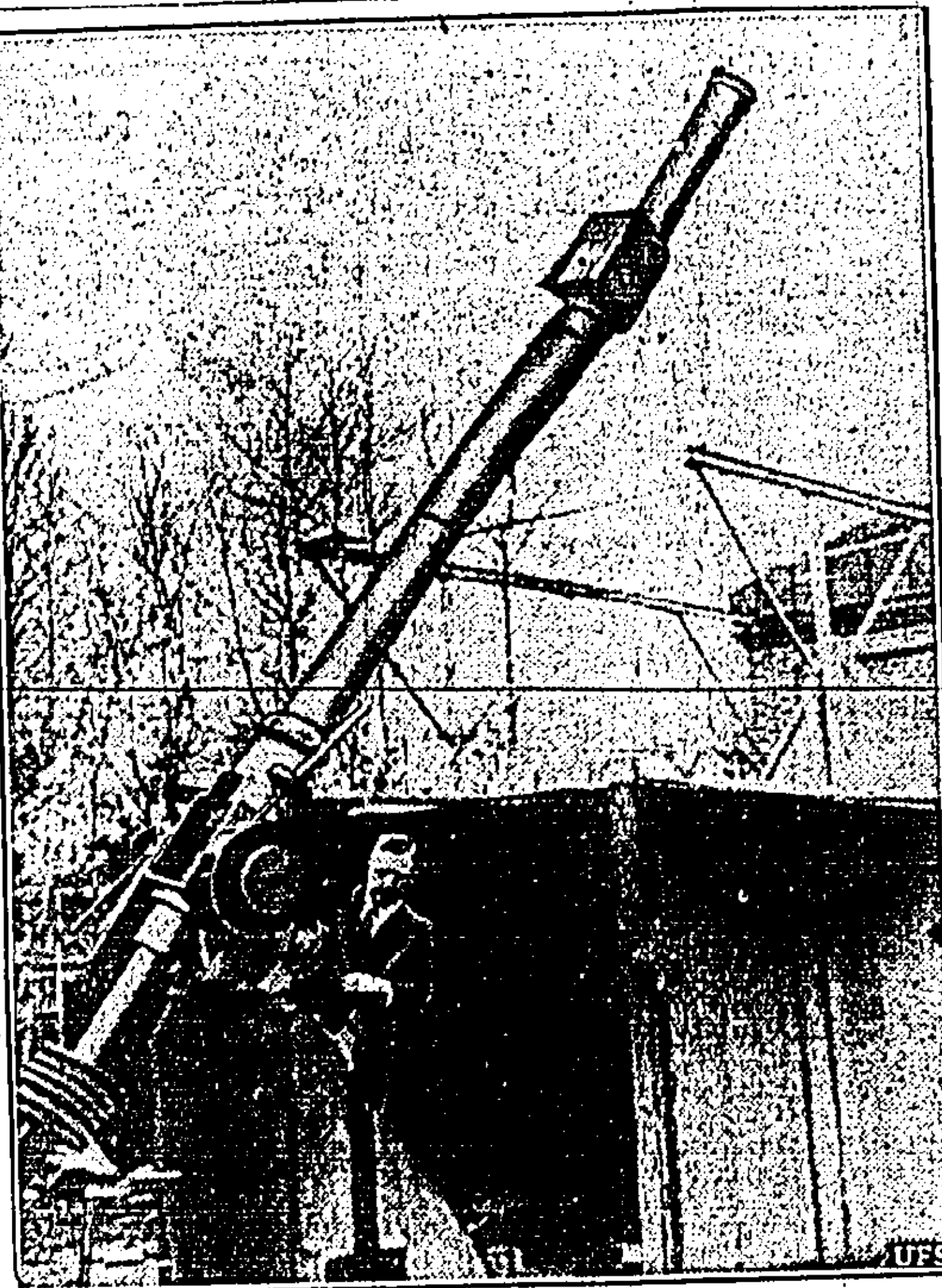
Regular farm workers are becoming fewer, not only because some of the 20-year-olds are called up, but because many are attracted by the higher wages for building camps.

£4-A-Week At 17

Mr. S. T. Cowher, secretary of the Gloucester N.F.U., quoted the case of a boy receiving the standard farm wage of £1 per week who left to work on a neighbouring aerodrome at 55s.; of another boy of 17 receiving 30s. who was given work by a Government contractor at £4 per week.

Farmers realise that skilled new agricultural workers cannot be dropped into their laps, they are even prepared to see agriculture, in common with all other industries, make some contribution to the fighting forces.

But they are deeply disturbed about this steady drain of skilled farm hands who are tempted away by wages agriculture could not possibly offer at present price levels.



This is Harvard University's new coronagraph, resembling anti-aircraft gun, to be set up in Colorado Rocky Mountains to study solar corona in effort to predict magnetic storms. Professor Menzel adjusts it.

VATICAN PAPER STOPS

Rome, June 13.

The *Popolo di Roma* reports that the *Osservatore Romano*, the Vatican paper, has suspended publication for the period of the war and that the archives of the French Embassy and archives of the Holy See have been brought to the Vatican City. It is expected that the British Minister, Mr. F. Charles-Roux, will reside in the Vatican for the duration of the war.—United Press.

SOVIET STILL SILENT

Moscow, June 13.

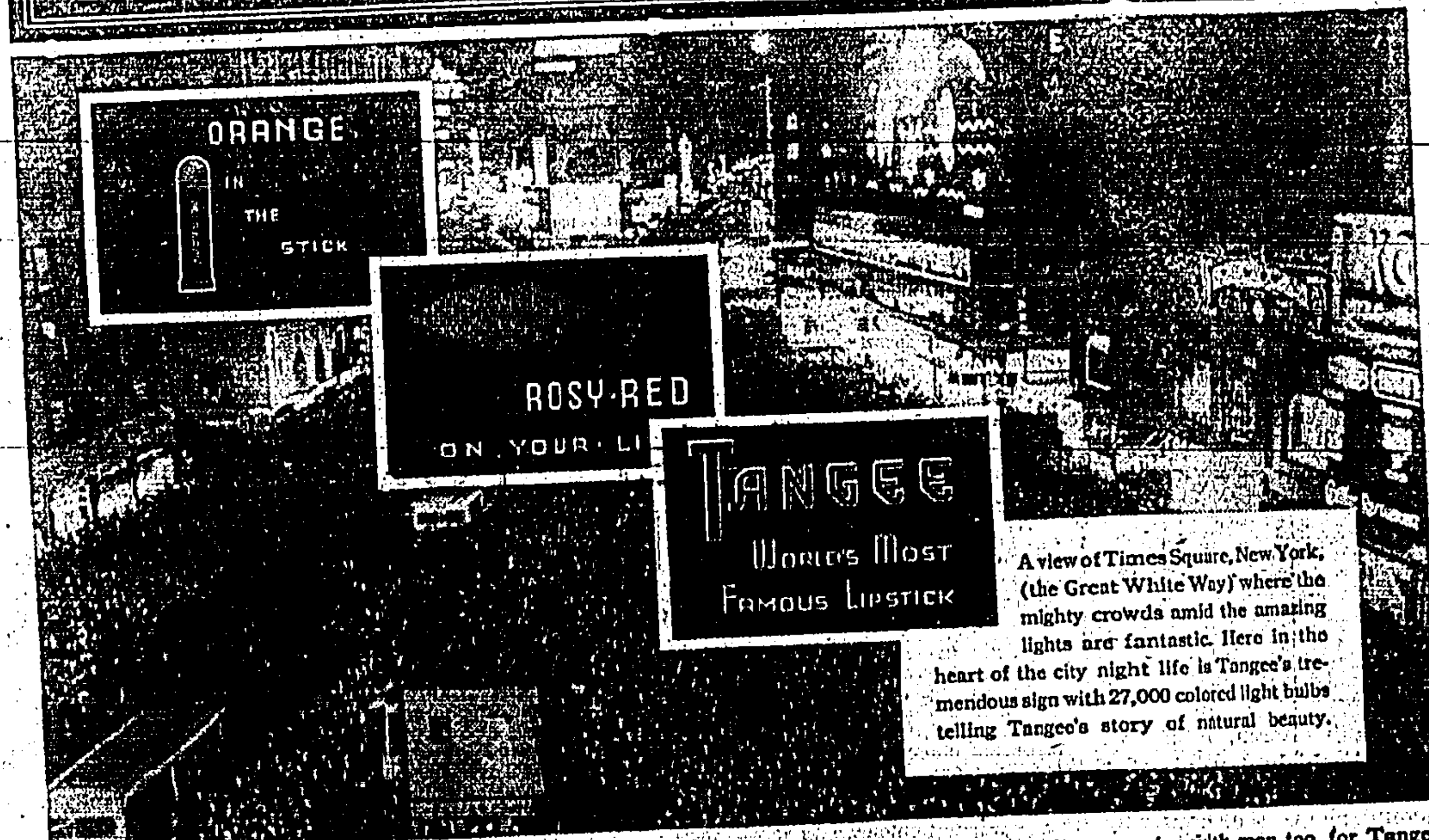
The Soviet attitude towards Italy is still officially unknown as the Press is silent, though publishing all the belittling communiques. Censorship continues to forbid comment.—United Press.

KOVNO RESIGNATIONS

Kovno, June 13.

The resignations of the Minister of Interior, General Kazys Skutnans, and the Chief of the State Police, M. Augustinus Povilaitis, are announced.—United Press.

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The B.W.O.F.

The Rev. J. R. Higgs and his
public spirited supporters, we
are happy to note, are losing no
time in furthering their initial
effort to stimulate Hongkong's
interest in the war effort. A
second public meeting has been
arranged for to-day week, June
21, in the Rose Room of the
Peninsula Hotel, at which the
public will have opportunity of
airing more views on the best
and quickest methods of raising
funds for the B.W.O.F. We
earnestly and heartily commend
this meeting to our readers.

It will be seen from the official
notice of this meeting, published
elsewhere in this issue, that
suggestions for increasing Hong-
kong's war effort are advanced.
For example, funds might be
 earmarked to provide an aero-
plane, an ambulance, a tank, or
a motor torpedo-boat. These
ideas are worthy of fuller con-
sideration, for they enjoy the
virtue of practicability, taking
the discussion from the realm of
academic patriotism into the
fields of applied action.

We hope too that this
second meeting will not only be
much better attended than its
forerunner, but that several of
the suggestions advanced last
Friday will again come up for
discussion. We are particularly
impressed with the proposal for
saving newspapers and empty
tins. That there is a ready and
profitable market for these dis-
carded commodities is indicated
by the eagerness with which
amateurs and cook boys seize and
make use of them. Indeed, we
are aware that quite fancy prices
are being paid for old newspapers
and used tins in Hongkong.
There is no reason why the
B.W.O.F. should not receive the
benefit of this market.

Direct service to the Allied
cause may be a trifle difficult to
offer from this great distance,
but money we can give, and here
seems to be at least one sound
and convenient method of
raising some of that money.
Few people are aware of the fact
that second-hand newspapers are
imported into Hongkong and
China for re-sale for various
purposes, chiefly from the
United States. Nearly every
home in Hongkong subscribes to
at least one Hongkong newspaper
and to one or more English,
American or Dominion journals.
If even a fraction of these papers
were saved, the B.W.O.F. might
benefit to the extent of some-
thing like \$10,000 a month.

MUSSOLINI PUTS THESE PLACES IN THE NEWS

Who on earth could want Jibuti?

by
O. D. GALLAGHER

JIBUTI is the town that I, for one, have been most happy to
get out of.

It festers—there is no other word for it—at the southern end
of the Red Sea. Guide-books say it is a "Characteristic French
town." Don't believe it. It is characteristic of nothing but that
part of the world.

When the Italo-Abyssinian fight was on, Jibuti was esti-
mated to have a population of about 650 whites. In the old days
it was a port of call for all kinds of adventurers—slave-traders,
gun runners, dope smugglers, anything. They have stopped the
slavers, it is generally agreed, but the others? Mysterious tri-
angular-sailed dhows still sneak in and out on unknown business.

THERE are four hotels and
a cinema in Jibuti. The
hotels look on the central square,
the Place Menelik. It is here that
the cosmopolitan population collects
when the sun goes down, allowing
them to creep out of their bed-
room where they have lain swell-
ing all afternoon.

They sit in fly-infested cafes
round the square, gossiping and
listening to radios that blare jazz
and propaganda into the African
night. Now they are asking why
anybody could want such a place.
You have to be a strong man, or
one rich enough to buy elaborate
comforts, if you are to survive a long
stay there.

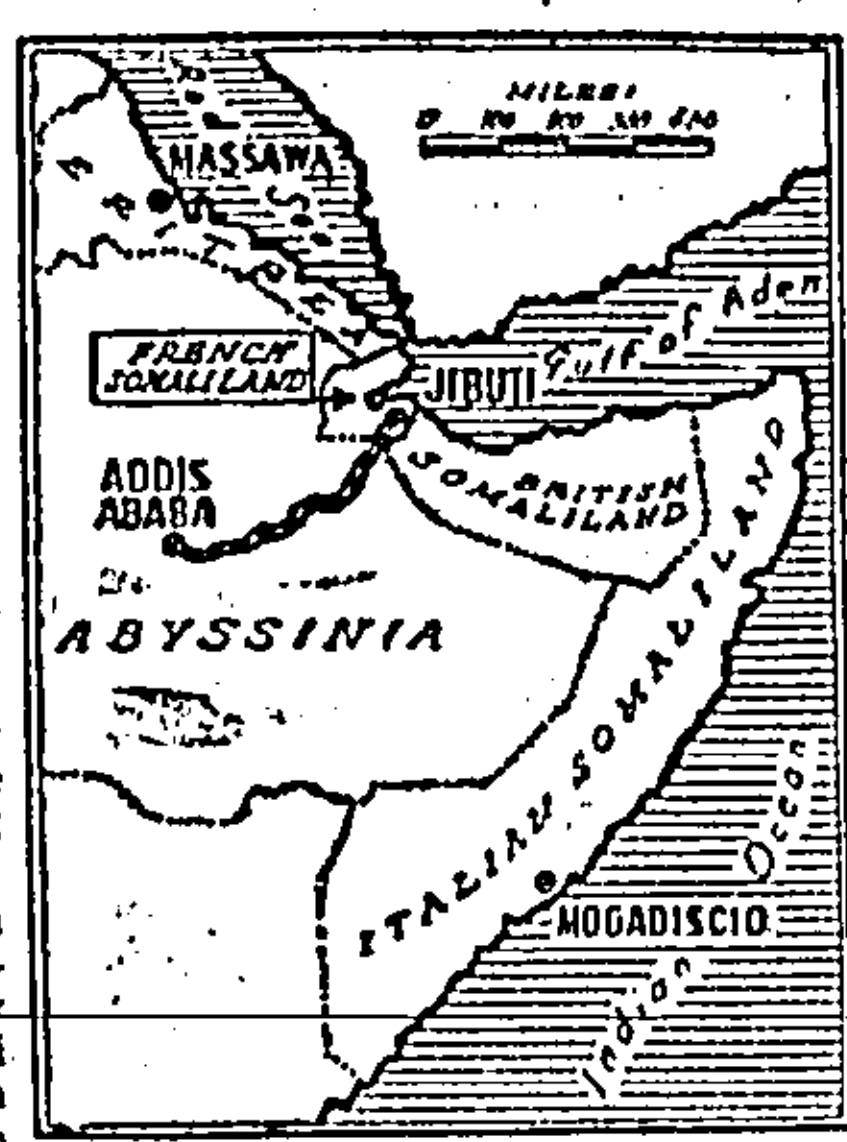
I remember one fellow, fresh
from Europe, who developed hypo-
chondria. If his hand accidentally
touched a skinned, half-naked Somali
native in the street he had to run
back to his hotel and wash it in
disinfectant. The leprosy beggars
and scabby hawkers that hung about
the cafes scared him so badly he
even had special baths in disinfectant
oil.

JIBUTI began to be a centre
for propaganda just before
the war. The Abyssinian Consul
—a big stone building which the
French refused to hand over to
Italians—contained many Abyssini-
ans.

Not far away was the Italian
Consulate, inspired by a similar de-
sire to keep the colony informed.
When one pinned a typewritten de-
ment on the notice board outside its
door, word was quickly carried to
the other. The result was that a
conflicting reply immediately went
up on the enemy board.

And in the cafes, bazaars and
streets there was always a con-
fusing variety of reports. The French
received in London from Jibuti early
in October 1935. It said: "Big
military concentrations in Abyssinia.
Widely believed war will break al-
most immediately."

The war had been under way
three days.
Of course, Mussolini has his
place from France.
Jibuti is a tough, tight little hazel-
nut wedged in a pair of big
nutcrackers, the jaws of which are



"Jibuti is a tough, tight little
hazelnut wedged in a pair of big
nutcrackers."

Italian Eritrea (to the north) and
Italian Somaliland (to the south).
This simile does not take into ac-
count the fact that the Italian So-
maliland, which may also be likened
to a nut, but it is not one that anybody
would be likely to crack at the mo-
ment.

An awkward proposition for
Italians is Jibuti, because it prevents
them closing the jaws of their
geographical nutcrackers.

The Italian nut is Abyssinia, a
coconut. But they cannot squeeze
the trade juice out of it because their
nutcrackers are wedged open by
Jibuti.

IN other words, most of
the Italians were trying to develop
busses out to the world through
Jibuti, humdrum, unpleasant port of
French Somaliland. And the French,
sitting pretty down there, collect
heavy tolls in the way of Customs
dues on coffee, hides, wax, ivory,
musk and a few other things.

On top of this, the French take
a cut off Abyssinia's trade with the
rest of the world, their crazy, 500-mile-
long railway that connects Abyss-

grandiose incredible work, received
the congratulations modestly, touch-
ed, yet filled with pride. He was
an elderly broad-shouldered gentle-
man with a round brown beard,
already streaked with white, and
sagacious, earnest eyes.

Eiffel lived and worked long after
the erection of the Eiffel Tower—he
was then already 57—he died only
in 1923. But the red tower of steel
in the Champs de Mars remained the
great work of his life, with which
he entered the history of building for
all time.

His tower, for the construction of
which 9,000 tons of steel were used,
surpassed in height not only all the

buildings of those days—the Cheops
Pyramid of 474 feet or the Washing-
ton Memorial of 555 feet—but it has
held the record till now for the high-
est building. The New York sky-
scraper, the Woolworth Building, is
227 feet lower.

When in the spring of 1889,
Gustave Eiffel handed over the plans
of his gigantic tower, which was to
be the main attraction of the 1889
World Exhibition, he had already a
respected name as a daring construc-
tor in steel. Railway bridges and
viaducts introduced his name to his
profession. In wider circles his
name was not unknown, as he was the
builder of the pavilion of the City
of Paris at the Paris World Exhi-
bition of 1878. This, owing to the
novelty of its steel construction, had
caused a sensation.

Eiffel had dreamed for a long time
of a colossal building of steel a
thousand feet high. It had for long
been general knowledge to all build-
ing engineers that a stone building
could not because of the weight of
the material be extended above a
certain height. But a metal con-
struction opened up new possibilities.

Magic of Dalmatia

THE OLEANDERS, the
purest white and the deep-
est pink in the brilliant sun, will
still be out in Dalmatia. Over
the cafe tables in Sibenik, Dubrovnik
and the coast from Sibenik to the bor-
ders of Albania, the islands—
Ragus, Castelnuovo, the raisins
and the grapes will be ripening. On
the beaches and terraces the Austrian
and English holiday-makers will be
getting blacker and blacker, with
the midday heat and sun over a
hundred degrees in what little shade
there may be.

For cruising there is no better
time than now. The Adriatic is
blowing, the long islands which lie
down the coast protect the deep
warm channels from the Adriatic,
and the water of egg-shell blue, in-
laid with bands of silver in the morn-
ing and evening light, becomes a
motionless on quiet days that the
line dividing it from the sky dis-
appears. In the evening long fur-
rows are cut in the smoothness by
the boats which standing oarsmen
row out to the fishing grounds with
strokes distinct to the eye two miles
away, and the sea, very often, is
enough without ripples at night for
fishermen to crawl round inshore,
agitating everything that swims un-
der the powerful petrol lamps fixed
over the bows.

And the cities of Dalmatia—these
are perfection in miniature. In the
northern cities Sibenik, Trogir, Split,
there are fine things to be seen. At
Split, for example, which is a lively
port having cement works and a
railway from Zagreb and Belgrade
and Central Europe, there are the
ruins of Diocletian's palace, which
Robert Adam adventurously ex-
tended in 1787 for measurements and
details he was to use in building the
Adelphi. Rather stumpy houses,
complete with hen runs, are built
high into the Roman walls. But
Split and its fellows are drier, dustier,
and less rich in gardens and
delights than the Dalmatian cities
of the coast and below Dubrovnik, which
is the Queen of them all, and the
Pearl, as the travel literature says,
of the Adriatic.

Dubrovnik, with a great wall sur-
rounding it built out into the sea, is
one of those rare, obstinate cities that
will not yield their independence to
the tourist. It is a city of the coast,
grows rich by the tourist, yet pre-
serves its own life. The tourists live
outside the wall among the plane
trees and palms and oleanders of the
suburbs; the only visitors who share
the city on equal terms with the
citizens are the swimmers, the tourist
and the soldier in the sunlight above the
Placa Kralla Petra, where Francis-
can monks, Yugoslav officers, business
men and their ladies, all the city,
stroll up and down when the sun no
longer glares from the limestone
walls and paving.

Data sells his smart shoes in the
Placa Kralla Petra, but time still
moves slowly in Dubrovnik to the
music of Verdi and Bizet, gently
played in the cafes.

Most of Dubrovnik was destroyed
in the earthquake of 1667, but not a
house seems to have come into it
since. The city of the ancient re-
public is built throughout, battle-
ments, palaces, churches, cloisters,
shops, fountains, paving, plumb-
bolts in the Old Harbour, of the
Turk to Page 9, First Column

no until December 31, 1894, to the
constructor.

The tower itself became on Janu-
ary 1, 1890, the property of the City
of Paris. To-day it is the property
of State.

The Eiffel Tower was indeed the
great sensation of the World Exhi-
bition. Some were amazed at its
height, but the experts admired it
for its superlative technical execu-
tion. The public flocked to see it.
At the restaurants in the first (185
feet) and second (487 feet) plat-
forms it was difficult at certain hours
to find a place. Gustave Eiffel, the
most popular man of the day,
erected a laboratory for himself on
top of the tower, where he studied
aerodynamic problems.

But fate had prepared a hard
blow for this man who at one stroke
had reached world fame. As direc-

tor of the Panama Canal Society he
was involved in the scandal that
destroyed that ill-fated company.

In 1892, together with Ferdinand
Lesseps and other leading officials of
the Panama Society, he appeared in
the dock. Although one of the best
barristers of the day pleaded his
case, Eiffel was sentenced to two
years imprisonment and a heavy fine
was imposed on him. A retrial be-
fore the Supreme Court finally estab-
lished his complete innocence and he
was liberated.

The Eiffel Tower has long since
become part of the city. It has be-
come a sign for Paris like the
Tower of Notre Dame, the dome of
the Pantheon, the great roof of the
Opera, and the Arc de Triomphe.

Walter Angel

The Eiffel Tower Is 50 Years Old

world of Paris of those days. Among
others were Maupassant, Sardou,
Huysmans, Sully-Prudhomme, Fran-
cois Coppee, Charles Gounod. They
protested against the barbaric de-
struction of the appearance of the
city, they talked about the death of
the world-famous Parisian taste.
Eiffel's protest, which might have
been effective, was sent too late. Not
only was the contract with Eiffel
signed and the first part of his fees
already paid to him but work had
started on the foundations and the
factories were in full swing.

In the contract which had been
signed on January 8, 1887, a sub-
sidy of 1,500,000 francs was granted,
and the income from the entrance
tolls and from the letting of
premises in the tower—Eiffel held
several restaurants and cafe, a
branch office of the "Figaro" and
an innumerable "souvenir" stalls—was to

The Tricolour was hoisted by M. de
Francis-Carnot, son of the late
French President; high, waisted top-
hats were waved, and Gustave Alex-
andre Eiffel, the creator of this

grandiose incredible work, received
the congratulations modestly, touch-
ed, yet filled with pride. He was
an elderly broad-shouldered gentle-
man with a round brown beard,
already streaked with white, and
sagacious, earnest eyes.

Eiffel lived and worked long after
the erection of the Eiffel Tower—he
was then already 57—he died only
in 1923. But the red tower of steel
in the Champs de Mars remained the
great work of his life, with which
he entered the history of building for
all time.

His tower, for the construction of
which 9,000 tons of steel were used,
surpassed in height not only all the
buildings of those days—the Cheops
Pyramid of 474 feet or the Washing-
ton Memorial of 555 feet—but it has
held the record till now for the high-
est building. The New York sky-
scraper, the Woolworth Building, is
227 feet lower.

When in the spring of 1889,
Gustave Eiffel handed over the plans
of his gigantic tower, which was to
be the main attraction of the 1889
World Exhibition, he had already a
respected name as a daring construc-
tor in steel. Railway bridges and
viaducts introduced his name to his
profession. In wider circles his
name was not unknown, as he was the
builder of the pavilion of the City
of Paris at the Paris World Exhi-
bition of 1878. This, owing to the
novelty of its steel construction, had
caused a sensation.

Eiffel had dreamed for a long time
of a colossal building of steel a
thousand feet high. It had for long
been general knowledge to all build-
ing engineers that a stone building
could not because of the weight of
the material be extended above a
certain height. But a metal con-
struction opened up new possibilities.

Eiffel's project was met with mis-
trust by many experts. Would the
steel bars be able to withstand the
wind pressure at such a height?
Would the workmen be able to work
at such a height?

The commission which examined
the plan, however, thought other-
wise. They had full confidence in
Eiffel's ability.

But when the public learned about
the project a storm of indignation
broke in the art circles of Paris, and
protest was published which was
signed by the leaders of the art

no until December 31, 1894, to the
constructor.

The tower itself became on Janu-
ary 1, 1890, the property of the City
of Paris. To-day it is the property
of State.

The Eiffel Tower was indeed the
great sensation of the World Exhi-
bition. Some were amazed at its
height, but the experts admired it
for its superlative technical execu-
tion. The public flocked to see it.
At the restaurants in the first (185
feet) and second (487 feet) plat-
forms it was difficult at certain hours
to find a place. Gustave Eiffel, the
most popular man of the day,
erected a laboratory for himself on
top of the tower, where he studied
aerodynamic problems.

But fate had prepared a hard
blow for this man who at one stroke
had reached world fame. As direc-

tor of the Panama Canal Society he
was involved in the scandal that
destroyed that ill-fated company.

In 1892, together with Ferdinand
Lesseps and other leading officials of
the Panama Society, he appeared in
the dock. Although one of the best
barristers of the day pleaded his
case, Eiffel was sentenced to two
years imprisonment and a heavy fine
was imposed on him. A retrial be-
fore the Supreme Court finally estab-
lished his complete innocence and he
was liberated.

The Eiffel Tower has long since
become part of the city. It has be-
come a sign for Paris like the
Tower of Notre Dame, the dome of
the Pantheon, the great roof of the
Opera, and the Arc de Triomphe.

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BUSY DAY FOR R.A.F.

Great Activity On Many Fronts

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that British aircraft sank an enemy motor torpedo boat in Boulogne and damaged two others.

R.A.F. bombers attacked the Italian base at Assab on the Red Sea and destroyed a power-house, petrol dump and barracks.

Ethiopian Town Attacked
Direkawa in Ethiopia was also attacked and an ammunition dump was blown up.

In the course of yesterday's intense bombing attacks on enemy concentration in the area east of Rouen, three enemy bombers were shot down. Three British aircraft are missing. During the night R.A.F. bombers attacked enemy lines of communications from the coast to the forest of Ardennes, damaging railways and road junctions.

Ammunition dumps were blown up and fires were started. Over the French battle zone, British fighters shot down seven enemy aircraft. None of our fighters is missing.

The aerodrome at Vaernes near Trondheim and enemy supply ships in a port near Bergen were severely attacked.

Workers Give Up Holidays

Magnificent Response By British Labour

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. Ascheton, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, reported that there has been a magnificent response to the Government request for a general postponement or cancellation of the holidays during the crisis.

This has been requested so that there will be no interference in the production of munitions.

It will also leave transport as free as possible for evacuation and civil defence needs.

Must Not Slacken
Mr. Ascheton further declared that the production of munitions has been greatly accelerated.

"But we must beware," he added, "of any slackening. As far as is humanly possible we must continue for some time to come at the same high pressure."

Nevertheless arrangements would be made to provide rest periods.

Malta Is Not Evacuated

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—It is learned here that some misconception has followed the announcement of the arrival in the United Kingdom of the women and children from Malta.

It has been reported, for example, that there are no women left in Malta.

It is officially stated that these reports are without foundation.

The wives and families of the naval and military personnel, who are not themselves resident in Malta, have been sent to this country.

But there has been no general evacuation of women and children whether English or Maltese from the Colony. No such evacuation is contemplated.

REPATRIATION FROM ITALY

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State, said that ample facilities were being arranged for the return of British and Commonwealth citizens to Britain and her Dominions, Colonies and protectorates.

He added that financial assistance will be provided where necessary.

700 Italians Leave Great Britain

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The first train-load of 700 Italians to leave Great Britain left London to-night for Glasgow, where they will embark for Lisbon.

Port Said Arrests
PORT SAID, June 13 (Reuter).—A further 100 Italians have been arrested here.

This brings the total up to 300.

The Italian Minister has been given his passport. He will leave by the first available ship.

Counter-Attack By Chinese

CHUNGKING, June 13 (Reuter).—A Chinese military spokesman states that the Chinese have launched a heavy counter-attack north-east of Ichang and are attempting to seize a crossing on the Han River to cut the Japanese retreat.

New Barons Created

King's Birthday Announcement

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King has conferred baronies upon Sir Charles Barrie, Lieut. Colonel Charles Kerr and Colonel Harry Louis Nathan.

Sir Charles Barrie, who was created a K.B.E. in 1921, is a director of the London and North Eastern Railway, Cables and Wireless, Ltd., and many other public companies. He served in an advisory capacity in the last war at the Transport Department of the Admiralty and later in the Ministry of Shipping. He is a member of the Supreme Economic Council, Chairman of the Disposal Board and a member of the Advisory Council to the General Post Office. He has been representing Southampton in Parliament since 1931.

Labour M.P. Honoured
Lt. Col. Charles Kerr, D.S.O., M.C., has been created an M.P. (L. Nat.) for Montrose Burghs since 1932.

Col. Harry Louis Nathan has been M.P. (Lab.) for Central Wandsworth since 1937. He is Hon. Col. of the 33rd (St. Pancras) Anti-Aircraft Battalion, R.E., T.A., Hon. Air Commodore No. 906 (County of Middlesex) Balloon Squadron, A.A.F. One of the original officers of the Territorial Force he served with the London Regiment in Gallipoli, Egypt and France. He is the representative of the L.C.C. on the County of London Territorial Army and Auxiliary Air Force Association.

Restrictions Lifted

Frenchmen Exempted From Curfew

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Attention was drawn during question-time in the House of Commons to-day regarding the indignation among Frenchmen in Britain who were recently subjected to the recently issued restrictions which applied to aliens.

Sir John Anderson said that orders had now been issued exempting Frenchmen from the curfew and the use of bicycles, motor-cars, cameras, and field-glasses. These new orders also exempted them from residence in restricted areas.

Immediate consideration was also being given to the position of Frenchmen in relation to the Civil Defence Services, from which aliens are excluded.

"THE TIMES" ON THE WAR

Says Essentials Have Not Changed

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Reviewing the range of the war to-day, "The Times" says that its essentials have not changed.

The wider the area the more intense does the vital issue become concentrated at the focal point.

It is there at Paris, the heart of civilisation, that the threat must be met and overcome.

Effective Blockade
The Allied blockade of Italy prevents the passage of war materials to Germany which she needs for this battle.

Our forces in the Near East have diverted the troops from helping Hitler.

The British air attacks on western Germany were made so that every bomb will relieve the strain on the Allied troops.

For the defence of northern France it is essential to send at once every available unit that can by any means be equipped.

Canadian Defence Minister Named

OTTAWA, June 13 (Reuter).—Col. the Hon. L. Ralston, Canadian Minister of Finance, has been appointed as Minister of National Defence in succession to the late Mr. Norman McLeod Rogers, who was killed in an aircraft crash.

Col. Ralston is continuing in his present position, however, until the Budget is presented next week.

France Purchases 10,000 Lorries

NEW YORK, June 13 (Reuter).—It is reported that France has ordered 10,000 lorries costing between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000 from the General Motors Corporation and the Chrysler Corporation.

Britain is enquiring for another 10,000 lorries.

Natives In South Africa To Fight

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—"News" learns that the formation of regiments of native soldiers for service in South Africa is among the new measures decided by the Government of Southern Rhodesia.

Another measure is the conscription of all European males between the ages of 18 and 35. Other measures include the mobilisation of the country's woman-power.

Evacuation Precaution

Necessity Emphasised In The Commons

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Minister of Health, in the course of the debate on evacuation, said there were two quite different reasons for which evacuation of a large part of the population of an area might take place.

Firstly an area might become an area of actual military operations in which our forces are engaged against the enemy. Should that take place, any persons left after the evacuation would be at great risk.

Secondly large industrial areas are likely to be targets for enemy attacks from the air. These places have their defences but there will be greater safety in dispersal.

Opposed To Compensation
With regard to general evacuation from the evacuation areas, the Government was against compensation.

Firstly, the Government could not give a guarantee that evacuees would be safe. Secondly, scores of thousands of parents would refuse to be separated from their children in this time of anxiety.

Any attempt at compensation would mean that thousands of parents would be taking parents to prison. There were limits to which the Government could go and they would have to abide by the voluntary principle.

VIVID STORY OF RETREAT

Utmost Resistance

PARIS, June 13 (Reuter).—It is understood that the French Cabinet held a meeting to-night at which they decided to continue their resistance to the utmost.

"Reuters" special correspondent who is with the R.A.F. somewhere in France writes that driving against a human current for 50 miles he witnessed the great civilian retreat from Paris and other parts of northern France to-day.

"The endless procession continues hour after hour and all day and night," he says.

Uninhabitable Patience
The patience of the endless crowds was inexhaustible. There was no bickering in the queues which formed 100 yards long at the petrol-pumps which are fast running dry.

"There were ready hands to push and repair stranded cars. Empty petrol tanks were somehow always refilled."

According to Reuters' correspondent, the signs of "No more room" outside hotels and inns were accepted with a shrug of the shoulders. Restaurants and shops were drained of food and drink.

Few Tears
Eyes that were heavy and tired were rarely tear-stained. The children, who were almost buried amid trunks and parcels, pushed up their tiny arms giving a "thumbs up" sign. This showed their cheerful acceptance of the hardship of long travel and little food.

The old slept the sleep of pure exhaustion.

Their faces, lined and stern, showed determination even in repose. Two articles were strapped to smart cars and humble carts alike—mattresses and bicycles. The one was for sleep, if no other bed was available, and the other was to continue the trek if the engine or the animal failed.

MINES OFF MALTA

Italy Lays Fields In The Mediterranean

ROME, June 13 (Reuter).—A communique to-day stated that Italy had mined the sea on the Mediterranean lying between Sicily and Tunisia.

Roughly the mined area comprises a quadrilateral formed by a line drawn from Eastern Sicily to the Tunisia-Libya frontier and from Western Sicily to a point on the Tunisia coast. This area is approximately 100 miles wide and includes Malta—United Press.

Refuge In Spain

ROME, June 13 (Reuter).—The Popolo Di Roma Madrid correspondent reports that the French transport General Lasarriere, carrying 700 Senegalese troops for Marseilles, entered the port of Alicante in Spain, pursued by an Italian submarine.—United Press.

HARBOUR RESCUE

Revenue Officer H. Millington was instrumental in saving a woman, Mrs. Fung, 23, after she had allegedly jumped into the Harbour off the Praya on Wednesday. The woman was sent to Queen Mary Hospital.

CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—The United States will look after Egyptian interests in Italy. Switzerland will look after Italian interests in Egypt.

Photo Exhibition

Enthusiasm for photography, and the ability to take good and interesting pictures on the part of members of the Camera Club of the Sailors and Soldiers Home, Anchorage, could be clearly seen from the number of excellent photographs that were exhibited in the Assembly Hall of the Home yesterday.

Scenic and portrait studies were of a very high standard, and "Weatherbeaten," "Evening Sky" and "The Beachcomber" by Messrs. O. Griffiths, F. Connor and H. Reolich, respectively, were worthy of the first, second and third prizes which they gained.

The exhibits are entirely the work of the Club members, the majority of whom are Servicemen. Photographs by Messrs. H. Reolich, O. Griffiths, J. Gregory, F. Connor, and E. Baldwin received honourable mention.

Because of the war, the exhibition was not on the same scale as in previous years. It will be open from 2.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday.

NON STOP RAIDS

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that the squadrons engaged had barely time to file reports of results obtained before the tanks were refuelled and the deadly bomb racks reloaded before taking off again.

Neon fighters downed overnight to the target base at once had taken their place with the older ones on the Western Front.

Odds Of 10 To 1
LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—An R.A.F. patrol of seven Hurricanes attacked 80 German planes over the battle-field in front of Paris to-day.

They shot down five planes.

This battle is particularly noteworthy because the pilots are all from the Auxiliary Air Force, which is composed of businessmen who fly for fun during the week-end in peace time.

According to one pilot, however, they are used to heavy odds.

"Even these odds are ten to one," he said, "they just waste in."

All Bridges Destroyed
LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—It is reported that all bridges over the Seine in a 60 mile line from Rouen to Mantes have now been destroyed by Allied bombers.

The enemy mechanised units are trying to build pontoon bridges but are being continuously attacked by our planes.

Bad Weather Conditions
PARIS, June 13 (Reuter).—A French air communique issued to-day states that owing to unfavourable weather conditions the activity of the French Air Force has considerably lessened during the past 24 hours.

Squadrons of light bombers attacked German positions, concentrations and lines of communication with bombs and machine-gun fire.

ASMARA AND GURA

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arrived at Valencia where the authorities are questioning the crew.

Egypt's Defensive Policy
CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—Egypt's present policy regarding Italy is purely defensive.

However it is pointed out here that, fully respecting the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, she places herself at the disposal of Britain in matters of security and the providing of air, naval and military bases.

These must naturally be considered military objectives and will be liable to Italian attacks.

But if Italy attacks other Egyptian territory or bombs fall on purely Egyptian aerodromes, ports or towns or on civilians Egypt will be forced to declare war.

Vatican Paper Closes
ROME, June 13 (Reuter).—The official Vatican Agency denies that the Vatican newspaper, the Osservatore Romano, has suspended publication, and says that the paper appeared as usual this afternoon.

Frontier Skirmish
CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—During a skirmish with Italian troops on the Egyptian-Libyan border, British troops captured two officers, 60 men and three machine-guns.

There were no British casualties.

Thanks From Dutch Queen

London, June 13 (Reuter).—Queen Wilhelmina has sent a message to the British Empire expressing profound gratitude to all who aided the Netherlands the Government and Royal Family in their hour of trial, thinking especially the members of the British and French forces who fell in the defence of Holland.

Her Majesty also expressed heartfelt thanks to the King and Queen for the spontaneous hospitality of the British Government, enabling Holland to continue her Government in the Netherlands Empire.

Queen Wilhelmina said she and Prince Bernhard were especially indebted to Princess Alice and the Earl of Athlone for the generous hospitality offered Princess Juliana and the latter's children in Canada.

Finally, the Queen expressed admiration for the British Navy and Air Force which ensured the safe arrival of her family, her Ministers, and herself in England.—Reuter.

TURKEY'S POSITION

Clarification In A Few Days Time

ANKARA, June 13 (Reuter).—It is generally believed that Turkey's position, in view of the situation created by Italy's entry into the war will be clarified shortly.

An official statement, probably by the Prime Minister, is expected tomorrow.

To-day has been occupied by consideration of all implications of any step by Turkey. The Cabinet met twice.

A meeting of the People's Party is likely to follow.

Diplomatic Activity
The British and French Ambassadors have been in contact with Turkish officials again to-day, while intense activity was observed among the Italian and German diplomats here.

In the meantime, Turkish peasants who are among the men called up under the latest order are leaving their homes to join their units.

Horse and vehicles have been commandeered where necessary.

This activity, however, does not necessarily indicate an immediate declaration of war, but is a sign that Turkey is taking both her defences and her obligations extremely seriously.

Explosion On Ship Sequel

Buenos Aires Police Arrest 43 People

BUENOS AIRES, June 13 (Reuter).—It is now learned that 43 people have been arrested in connection with an explosion on board the British ship Gascony.

The explosion took place here on Wednesday.

One man was killed and four were injured.

The ship was set on fire by the explosion.

The explosion is believed to have been caused by lime bombs.

The Gascony, of 4,700 tons, was loading a cargo of canned beef. The explosion occurred when a sling was being lowered into the hold.

ROOSEVELT'S RESPONSE

WASHINGTON, June 13 (Reuter).—It was stated at the White House to-day that President Roosevelt's speech given at Charlottesville on June 10 is considered a complete answer to M. Paul Reynaud's request for assistance by the United States.

It is added that M. Reynaud's cable was not delivered until after President Roosevelt's return from Charlottesville. It was only by a coincidence that the President's speech was so completely to the point.

SECRET SESSION ON JUNE 20

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The secret session to debate Home Defence, which was postponed on Tuesday, will now be held on June 20, stated Mr. C. R. Attlee, the Lord Privy Seal.

The debate might be wider in scope than Home Defence, according to circumstances.

There will also be a secret session of the House of Lords on June 20 on Home Defence.

PROHIBITION OF EXPORT

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—As a result of Italy's entry into the war, the Board of Trade has made an order whereby the export of all classes of goods to Bulgaria, Greece, Hungary, Liechtenstein, Rumania, Switzerland, Yugoslavia and the Black Sea ports of the U.S.S.R. has been prohibited except under licence.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR FRANCE

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The Archbishop of Canterbury asks that next Sunday be observed in all churches in Britain as a day of prayer for France.

CHUNGKING'S WORST RAID

CHUNGKING, June 13 (Reuter).—Thousands of people are fleeing after the heaviest Japanese air raid ever suffered by China's war-time capital. Street after street is demolished systematically by waves of aircraft. Over 500 bombs were dropped.

Ranchers' Gift To British Soldiers

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Argentine ranchers are sending a gift of beef for the use of the soldiers of England.

Already 2,000 animals have been collected.

WASHINGTON, June 13 (Reuter).—Commenting on the bombing of Chungking at a Press conference, Mr. Cordell Hull said, "We wholeheartedly condemn such practices wherever, and whenever they occur."



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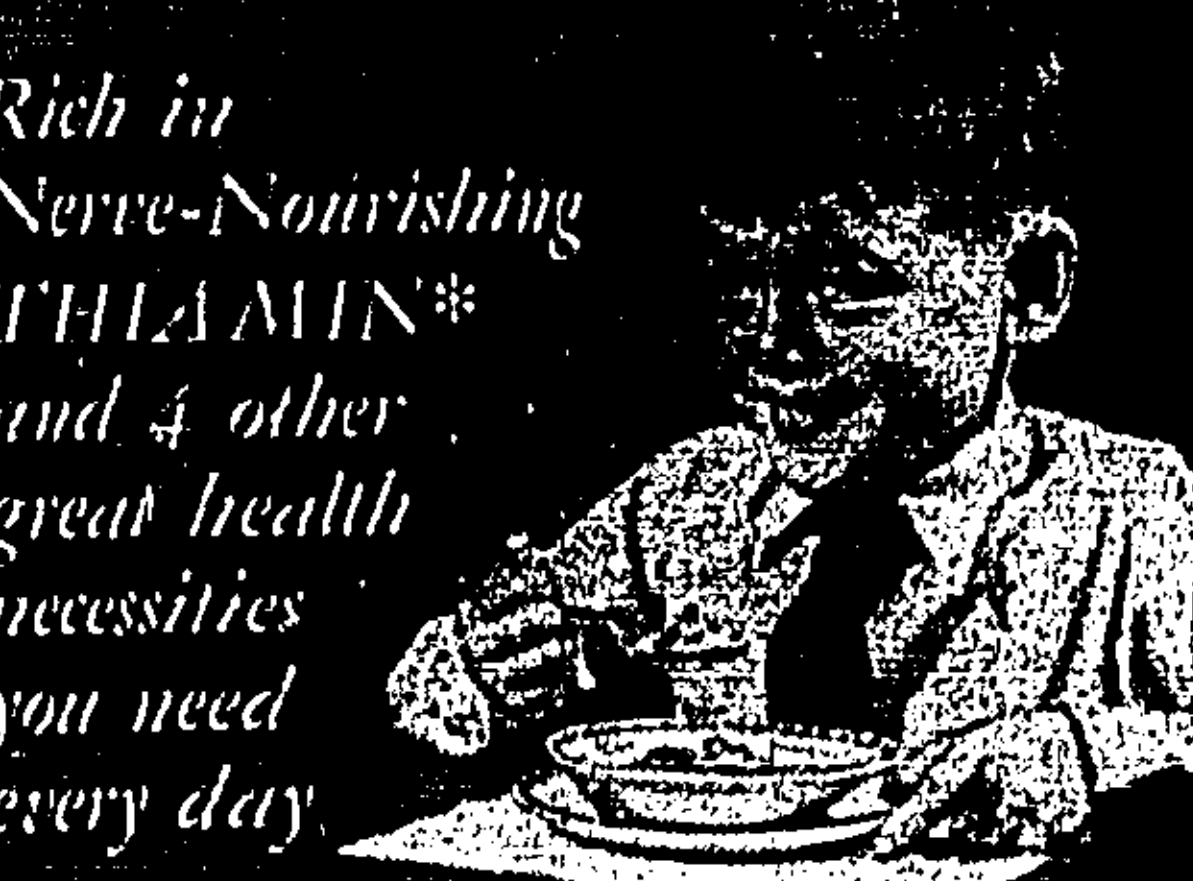
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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

AUSTRALIANS' BEST PERFORMANCES

Far View Collects \$7,323: Ajax Pays Highest Dividend: Brutus Upsets The Daily Double

THERE WAS NO DOUBT that the Australian ponies of this season together with the old creatures played a very important role at the February meeting of five days of racing, because out of an aggregate of 52 events they took part in no less than 21. However, after the Annual Carnival the creation of a "D" class (a new division) for Australian ponies was another trump card of the Stewards, and the problem of spotting the winners at the extra meetings had been rather expensive to the punters.

Apart from the fact that the Australian ponies provided the best events, the highest dividend during the first half was \$281.20 paid by Ajax (Australian sub-griffin of 1939 class) for a win, and the jockey, Mr. S. C. Liang, received the ladies' purse for his hard riding. Of course there was another high spot. Brutus the Australian pony, was responsible for the second leg of the daily double at the Whitsun meeting when Mr. Treverton's chaser bracketed with Smashing Through. (the winner of first leg) paid \$1,905 to the delight of four astute mathematicians.

When the Stewards first invited members of the Hongkong Jockey Club to subscribe for Australian ponies, the "R.S.V.P." could be counted on one's fingers and the first batch to race here was not more than 20 subscription ponies.

It is interesting to recall that the first Australian event was run on February 28, 1931, when Woodland Stag piloted by Mr. Quincey won the Sydney Maiden over six furlongs in one minute 25 seconds, and the winner was owned by the late Mr. Chan Tien-sun.

In the following year the subscription list closed with an order for 52 ponies, but for 1933's annual meeting the commitment from the Antipodes dwindled down to almost half, the exact amount being 25 youngsters. Since then the barometer showed a steady increase. Although the shipment was limited to 60 ponies, the dealers delivered one extra for this year's racing and it may be of interest to know that we will have over 100 for 1941.

THERE was plenty of material in this year's bunch and an interesting aspect of the running of these youngsters was the outstanding performances of Far View and Sapper, both being the descendants of Farr. The former, a mare, went down twice on the post to Sapper, while the latter, a gelding, received two beatings from his sister.

In shape and move, Far View and Sapper are not alike, and the Freemantle St. Leger to be run in November will tell us all about it. Far View is a year younger than Sapper and both of them have plenty room to improve. Far View

has earned a total sum of \$7,323 with the inclusion of the Rookery-Hill Derby and the Champions against \$3,821 won by Sapper.

BY Graculus, the three off-springs, namely, Amicus Curiae (earning \$1,810), Income Tax (\$900) and Maple Star (\$500), have done exceptionally well.

It was a creditable performance of Amicus Curiae, annexing the Brisbane Spring Handicap, which distance was lengthened from 1 1/4 miles to two miles, and the brown gelding certainly showed that he had staying powers.

This was the first occasion for Australian ponies to run over a course of two miles and as Amicus Curiae was carrying weight for inches as per scale, the time of 3:38 1/2 has been accepted as a record.

Much was expected of the winner at the annual big meeting, but the pony, in my opinion, was over-galloped during the early morning, and had only one win.

SURED by Civilian, I have reason to believe that Ascot Day is a good miller, while Rowan is a stayer. The latter was on the sick list during the Annual Carnival, and Rowan's first appearance was at the Easter session when she was third, finishing behind Many Thanks and Lucky Lad in the Rosehill Stakes.

Many Thanks, the winner, was disqualified for boring, and under the circumstances, Rowan got the second prize.

However, the mare came on nicely in subsequent outings and Rowan will, I am sure, be a different pony at the resumption.

Ascot Day picked up \$1,000 while Rowan gained \$1,200, the total sum being \$3,100, and after all Civilian was not a bad sire.

CARAVIS has been represented by winners of stakes amounting \$3,150, and the best three were Albury (\$1,250), Sparrow (\$1,300) and Shuttlecock (\$600).

They were not the topnotchers, but one must admit that Caravis off-springs are worth having. The other two were not much good. After slipped at the turn in the first section of the Perth Plate, and the chestnut was immediately destroyed on the track. Comedy Star had four outings without collecting a cent.

I WAS very much disappointed with the running of the new stock by Double Court, which was represented by Contact, Finalist, Melody Star, Venus Bay and Winnie.

Although Contact and Melody Star collected \$1,400 each, they did not seem to possess the same blood of the older ones such as Centre Court, Courting Eve, Derby Day and others. In fairness to the sire, I must admit that the five juveniles by Double Court were very young, and that might account for the failure of Finalist, Venus Bay and Winnie, all of whom had a blank card.

LUCKY Lady by Excitement appeared three times before the official starter, but the mare made a collection of \$1,550.

It would be criminal to suggest that she was a bag of bones at the Spring meeting, but Lucky Lady was certainly lacking in substance, and that might be the reason for giving her only three outings.

Of the little I have seen, my frank opinion is that Lucky Lady has got the make, shape and pedigree of a St. Leger winner.

AMONG the best of old ponies—Baffin Bay, Courting Eve, Devonian, Lancashire Chips and Lucky Lad and a few of the "B" class were in the limelight at the big meeting, but they seemed to be all at sea when they met the youngsters of this season.

COTTAGE CLUB RIDE

The Cottage Club ride on Saturday, June 15, will start from Lok Ma Chau at 5 p.m. Transport will be provided from the Clubhouse at 4:30 p.m., and ponies will be drawn for as usual.

DIVISION OF THE STAKES

Far View Wins One-Tenth Of The Total

HEREWITH is a complete list of Australian ponies started during the first half, showing at the same time the amount of stakes won, some being without a cent.

A Good Time	300
A Great Time	300
A Green Time	1,250
Albury	1,250
Albion	600
Albion (shot)	1,810
Amber II	400
Amicus Curiae	1,810
Annabella	400
A Roaring Time	1,000
Ascot Day	1,000
Australian Diamond	900
Australian Prince	2,400
Baffin Bay	600
Blandford (shot)	1,100
Bredon	600
Brown Derby	600
Brumo	1,350
Brutus	250
Burslight	300
Calmsone	300
Calmsone	300
Caterpillar Bridge	300
Centre Court	400
Cheerful Star	250
Chiltern	300
Circus	300
Cockleford	300
Colorado Star	300
Comet Star	1,300
Comet Star	1,400
Contact	1,350
Courting Eve	300
Criffel	300
Derby Day	1,000
Devonian	300
Dick Turpin	375
Discovery	450
Double Finesse	200
Fair Chance	1,200
Far View	7,323
Finalist	1,200
Flying Dutchman	1,200
Forehand Drive	1,200
Franklin	1,200
Grand Allegiance	1,200
Happy Landings	300
Heinz	300
Income Tax	900
Jungle Princess	300
Kitt	300
Lancashire Chips	1,350
Lancashire Chips	1,350
Lovely Kid	1,200
Lucky Lad	1,550
Lucky Lady	1,550
Macquarie River	1,200
Many Thanks	500
Melody Star	1,400
Murray Silver	1,350
Murray Silver	1,350
Murray Silver	1,350
Nancy Lee	1,350
National Victory	1,350
Perfect Day	425
Pavlo d'Orient	900
Piccadilly Jim	900
Pocuous	450
Powerful Kid	450
Princess Bridge	450
Princess Clara	100
Pumelo	700
Pumpernickel	700
Quick Despatch	700
Ridon	700
Rising Star	500
Rooftop	1,200
Rowan	1,050
Ruby Star	3,821
Sapper	3,821
Schmetterling	1,250
Sea Jay	200
Sea Jay	200
Shine Again	600
Shuttlecock	600
Snowy River	1,300
Sparrow	600
Springhurst	1,000
Springhurst	1,000
Stratherrick	1,550
Surprise Again	550
Sydney Lad	550
Tarzan	550
Tevelotdale	850
Tornado Star	200
Triumphant Day	1,400
Twilight Star	1,350
Vanity Fair	1,350
Venus Bay	1,250
Viceroy	700
Violet Queen	600
Vixen Tor	600
Warrego River	600
Winfred	600
Winnie	600
Zodiac	600

Second Athletic Meet

KASHIWARA, June 13 (Domel).—Close on the heels of the recently completed athletic meet in Tokyo, another East Asia athletic meet was decided open to-day at the newly-built Stadium in the Outer Gardens of the Kashiwara Shrine, sacred to Emperor Jimmu, founder of Japan. At 8:30 a.m. to-day about 100 athletes from the Philippines, China, Manchuria and Japan gathered at the Stadium and after paying homage at the Kashiwara Shrine, assembled in the Kenkoku Hall.

In an opening ceremony at 1 p.m., presided over by Dr. Hiroshi Shimomura, Vice-President of the Meet, the noted Japanese broad-jumper, took the oath on behalf of all the participants. Commencing with ping-pong games between Japan, Manchuria and China at 1:30 p.m. in the Kenkoku Hall, the meet will continue for four days.

SURPRISING RESULTS IN HANDICAP EVENTS

THERE HAS ALWAYS been a small band of disgruntled owners, who never seemed to be satisfied with the allotment of weights. Perusing the results of the handicap events during the first half I found to my amazement that those ponies carrying weight for inches as per scale and over had more successes than those that were "let in"—so to speak.

The proportion was 19 events against 15 and it would be advisable to make a note of the weight carriers for future meetings. Hereunder is a list:

Weight for Inches and Over

Pony	Jockey	Height	Weight	Won by
Bendigo H'cap	Lancashire Chips	14.2	155	4 lengths
Corral H'cap	Baffin Bay	14.3	130	Short head
Kara Kara H'cap	Brutus	14.3	130	6 lengths
Killara H'cap	Sydney Lad	14.3	155	A neck
Benarba H'cap	Twilight Star	14.2	154	2 lengths
Sapper	A Roaring Time	14.3	150	do
Albury H'cap	Moone Ponds H'cap	14.3	160	a length
Sydney Handicap	Springhurst	14.2	152	2 lengths
Chikanatta H'cap	Brumo	14.3	160	1/2 do
Brisbane Spring H'cap	Amicus Curiae	14.3	155	Short head
Hobart Handicap	Ascot Day	14.3	155	4 lengths
Broken Hill H'cap	Many Thanks	14.3	155	do
Koola Handicap	Franklin	14.3	165	4 do
Canterbury Park H'cap	Fair Chance	14.3	162	1/2 do
Warwick Farm H'cap	Sapper	14.3	163	1 do
Whitsun Handicap	Centre Court	14.3	155	5 do
Bondi Handicap	Australian Prince	14.2	159	2 do
Killara Handicap	Piccadilly Jim	14.3	160	1/2 do
Moreton Bay H'cap				

Under Weight for Inches as per Scale

Pony	Jockey	Height	Weight	Won by
Wakool Handicap	Ruby Star	14.3	130	Short head
Cambridge Handicap	Murumbidgee	14.3	130	Many lengths
Ladies Purse	Ajax	14.2	150	Short head
Adelaide H'cap	Courting Eve	14.3	147	2 lengths
Moone Ponds H'cap	Devonian	14.3	150	3 do
Calliope Handicap	Murumbidgee	14.3	150	do
St. Kilda	Shuttlecock	14.2	140	1 1/2 do
Charters Towers H'cap	Happy Landings	14.2	150	Short head
Spencer Handicap	Amber II	14.2	140	Short head
Shirley Bay H'cap	Courting Eve	14.3	152	2 1/2 lengths
Manly Handicap	Brutus	14.3	145	A neck
Carpentaria H'cap	Brown Derby	14.2	142	2 lengths
Hervey Bay H'cap	Lancashire Chips	14.2	145	1 do
Walsend H'cap	Bredon	14.3	151	1/2 do
Great Bight H'cap	Derby Day	14.3	145	Short head

Lawn Bowls Teams For The Week-end

The following teams have been chosen by various Clubs for Lawn Bowls League matches this week-end:

CLUB DE RECREIO
"A" v. Kowloon Ducks (home).
L. F. Xavier, F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and H. A. Alves.
L. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. V. Ribeiro and F. X. Soares.

J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, F. V. Ribeiro and C. G. Silva.
"B" v. Kowloon C.C. (away).
C. C. Pereira, D. C. Alves, A. P. Guterres and B. Basto.

F. A. Machado, C. H. Basto, C. Roza Pereira and J. J. Basto.
A. P. Pereira, C. Lopes, J. C. Remedios and J. Noronha.
2nd Division v. Kowloon F.C. (away).
M. F. Alarcon, A. F. Noronha, A. M. Rodrigues and O. P. Remedios.

P. M. N. Silva, J. A. Remedios, C. M. S. Alves and P. Yvanovich.
F. A. Xavier, H. R. Pinna, E. M. Remedios and E. Souza.
INDIAN R.C.

1st Division v. Police (home).
J. Hoosen, A. K. Sufian, A. R. Minu and A. K. Minu.
A. H. Rumjahn, S. Yusuf, M. Y. Adul and A. R. Dallah.
D. M. Khan, A. M. Rumjahn, A. O. Madar and M. R. Abbas.

2nd Division v. Prison Officers (away).
A. S. Sufian, S. A. R. Bux, A. H. Madar and A. M. Wahab.
M. Hassan, A. G. Sufian, K. M. Rumjahn and A. Bakar.
M. E. Hassan, J. M. A. Rumjahn, U. A. Rumjahn and S. M. Rumjahn.

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.
1st team v. Cranfower (home).
J. Gellatly, J. W. Deakin, L. A. Collyer and J. F. McGowan.
M. E. Purvis, W. J. Burling, M. N. Rakusen and H. E. Strange.
E. W. C. Simmonds, J. Hollidge, A. W. Grimmit and F. J. Jones.

2nd Team v. Kowloon B.G.C. (away).
J. R. Carr, H. Parrott, A. Steven and S. Ecclehall.
C. J. Walker, E. Kirmen, A. B. Allan and W. R. Hillier.
P. W. Crawley, H. Lord, H. F. Harper and C. Strange.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC R.C.
v. Cranfower C.C. (home).
A. G. Gardner, W. E. McFarlane, H. S. McKay and A. F. Paul.
A. P. Tarbuck, C. E. Ghanagan, S. Deacon and J. K. Sloan.
R. A. Owens, W. E. Baker, G. T. Padgett and G. S. Thomson.

Godiva Wins Oaks Substitute

LONDON, June 13 (Reuters).—The substitute Oaks, run at Newmarket to-day, resulted.

Godiva (Marks) 1
Silver Lace (G. Richards) 2
Valeraine (Weston) 3
Betting: 7-4 Godiva, 100-8 Silver Lace, 20-1 Valeraine.

Fourteen ran, Godiva won by three lengths, and four lengths separated Silver Lace and Valeraine. Others: Chambrella (C. E. Smith), Dame Detrefle (Harry Wragg), Golden Penny (Beary), Joan Drake (S. Smith), Manna Wind (Herbert), Nilt de Noce (Dowrey), Olin (Lane), Queen of Shiraz (Smirke), Self Portrait (Neveit), Helmsheim (Perryman), Drawing: Prize (Cliff Richards).

Northumberland-Durham Assn. v. Kowloon C. C.

A LAWN BOWLS MATCH has been arranged for Sunday, at Cox's Road, between the Northumberland and Durham Association of Hongkong and Kowloon Cricket Club, to commence at 3.15 p.m.

H. E. the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, who is Vice-President of the Association, will turn out for one of their rinks, while Dean J. L. Wilson, of St. John's Cathedral, will also be playing. The Bishop of Hongkong, the Rt. Rev. Ronald Hall, who is president of the Association, is unfortunately unable to play.

THE PLAYERS

The following have been selected to represent the Northumberland and Durham Association:

T. Waller, H. E. the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, W. Mulcahy and T. W. Carr, J. G. R. Humble, Prof. W. F. Cole, T. Coleman and J. Fraser, C. E. Judge, Dean Wilson, A. A. Dand and J. McGowan, J. Henney, W. Henney, E. Purvis and S. Hodge. Any members of the Association who are not among the selected rinks, and who wish to play, are very welcome and arrangements will be made for them to play.

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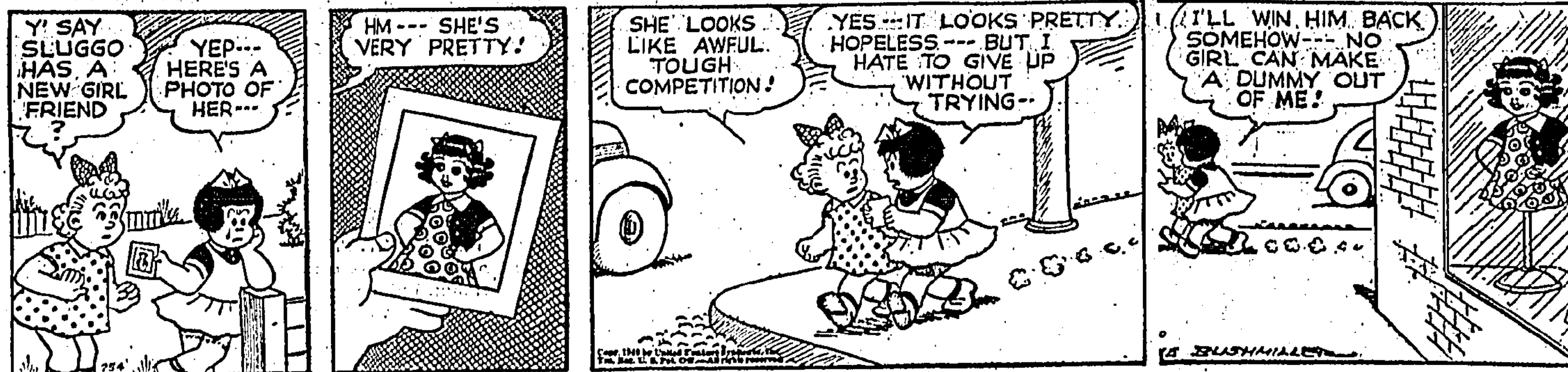
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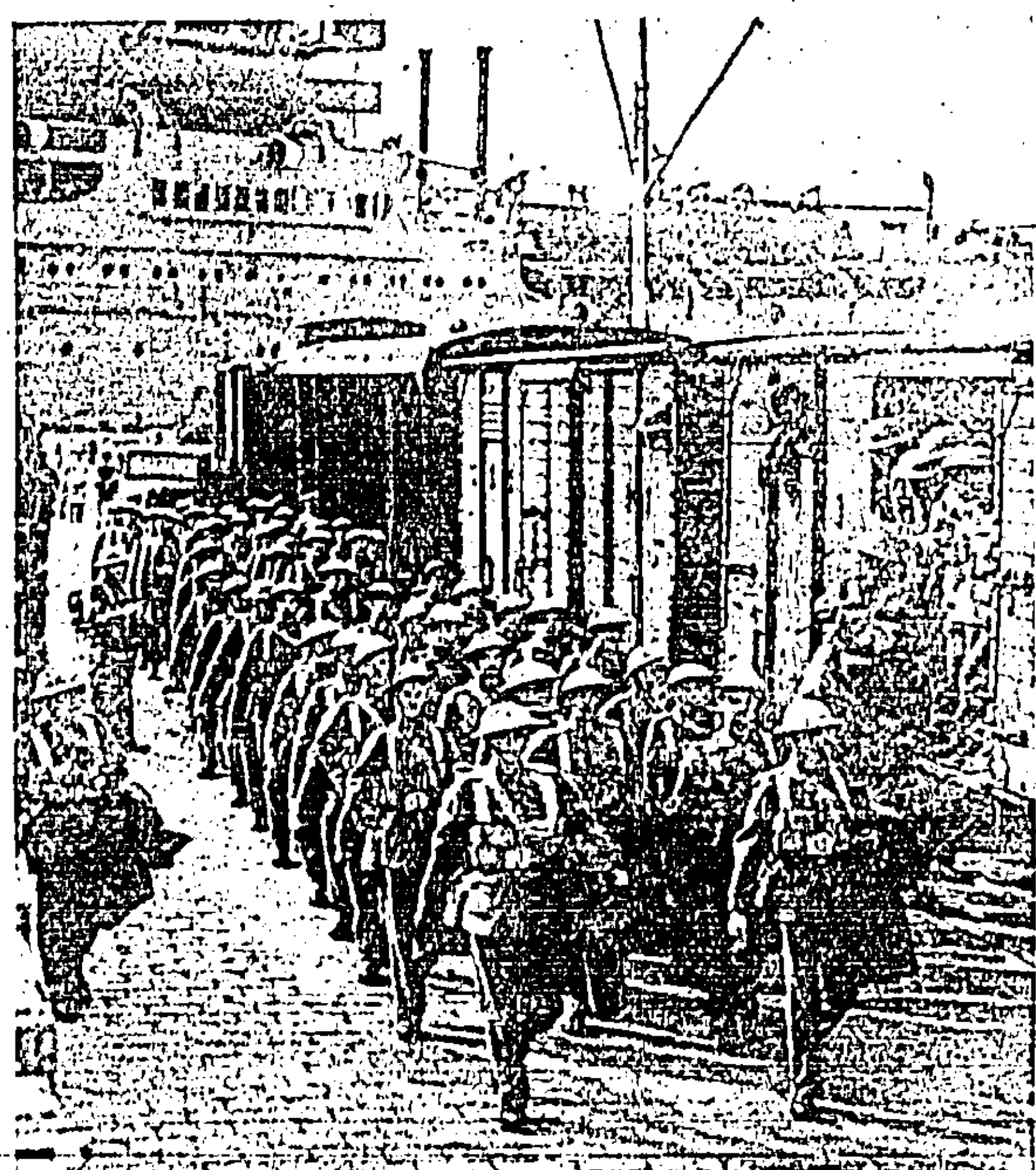


Two New Moves on the Home Front

Checking the Food Ration Watch To Be Racketeers Black-Out Tightened Up

TWO new moves on the Home Front are announced. There is to be a tightening up of rationing and a stricter watch for lights in the black-out.

Officials of the Ministry of Food are launching a campaign to stamp out rationing abuses. While the Ministry is satisfied that in general the regulations are observed, there are shopkeepers and housewives who still evade them.



ARABS AND JEWS, laying aside their political enmity, have volunteered to serve together in the same contingents of the B.E.F. Here we see one contingent of these volunteers boarding a train en route for active service.

MAGIC OF DALMATIA

(Continued from Page 6.)

same limestone, to which time has given a pale tinge like China tea. And with clumps of purple flowered caper (it is the unexpanded bud we use in caper sauce) growing out of the wall around his head, the patron saint of Dubrovnik still stares from his niche over the blue and silver of the Adriatic.

A learned book on Dalmatia, by the way, declares that this Sveti Vlaho (or St. Blaise) is also patron saint—guess where?—of Bradford. One can hardly doubt where Sveti Vlaho feels more at home.

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South of Dubrovnik the coast grows richer still. The olive orchards and cypresses climb higher on the mountain, and even on the hottest day a small evening wind rustles down and cools the pension visitors at their dinner under the vines. There are exquisite villages, built with a giant plane tree throwing its shade on the beach, as well as the loveliest of waterfalls, "Robinson's," where a German Crusoe dispenses the best wine and salami under his lonely poplars; exquisite valleys, the Zupa valley, and the Konavle valley, famous for the exquisite beauty of their women, and the exquisite charm of their embroidered costumes; exquisite towns, Cavtat, with its hill capped by the mausoleum designed by the Yugoslav sculptor Mestrovic, in which great angels carry souls in the shape of bubbles up heaven; Herceg Novi, where you can buy post-cards, among the palms and clematis, from exiled Russian Counts; and perhaps see the young King of Yugoslavia and his brothers and his widowed mother on summer holiday from Belgrade. And then, to cap Dalmatia, come the great bay of Kotor, winding into the mountains under Montenegro, and so beautiful by far for all the docks, yards and barracks which transform

U.S. Plan Swap Sea Routes

MR. JOSEPH KENNEDY, the United States Ambassador, is bringing to London a plan to "swap" some shipping routes with Britain.

After a conference with Mr. Cordell Hull, he told Reuters' Washington correspondent that the scheme would put idle United States tonnage to work again. It would involve routes far from the war zone from which British ships were already being removed to carry war material elsewhere. Mr. Kennedy said possibilities for increased United States timber exports to Britain were also involved in the scheme.

much of it into a Yugoslav naval base.

From Kotor, at the head of the bay, the great military road built by the Austrians twists up the mountain into what was once Montenegro. Cetinje, the capital, has some recompense for its lost royal glories in being the administrative centre on which even Dubrovnik (to Dubrovnik's disgust) has to depend. Montenegro—so I have been told—who wish to take out their learner's licence now have to present themselves, or all, at Cetinje, after the fustian passage of the hairpins. If you get there you are a good driver, and deserve your licence, if you don't.

And south of Kotor there is still the Montenegrin coast to explore, still magical small cities, Budva, Bar, Ulcinj, less known and a little more primitive than the cities of Dalmatia, but less good to look at, before Yugoslavia comes to an end on the less civil shore of Scutaria (otherwise, it may be less appropriately known as Albania).

There are tradesmen who let customers have more than their fair share. There are others who charge more than the fixed price.

More and More Prosecutions

Figures show that month by month the Ministry's enforcement staff of 1,700 inspectors is becoming more active. From October to February there were 135 prosecutions, in March the estimated total was about 200; the figures for April and May were very much greater.

Practically all the prosecutions have been against traders. Convictions were secured in nearly every case.

Local food committees have been told to tighten the regulations, and to utilise the services of the army of inspectors to the full.

"Crackdown has been raised" states the Ministry, "of the so-called Group methods of food enforcement officials. The methods are those usually employed in investigating infringements of the law where there is a possibility of collusion on the part of the public."

"They are designed in the interests of law-abiding citizens, an overwhelming majority, who otherwise would be penalised."

People who believe they have been overcharged or treated unfairly should inform their local food officer.

Lights are Worst in the West-End

The better black-out drive will be noticed first by Londoners. Police in some areas are already calling on offenders and ordering them to improve their black-out arrangements within 24 hours.

Hundreds of houses and flats, especially in Kensington and Mayfair, where the slackness is said to be worst, have already been visited.

Springcleaning is blamed by many people. They explain that they take down curtains in a bedroom or sitting room and switch on the lights for a few seconds at night before they realise there is no screen.

Some housewives, buying new spring curtains in lighter shades, forget they are not so effective. (Light in an uncurtained room can be seen five miles away by planes 10,000 feet up.)

Blind Men Make Nets For Camouflage

TO-DAY 120 men who were blinded by the Germans in the last war are welding shuttles in their homes or in workshops to make netting for camouflage purposes.

Recently St. Dunstan's accepted a big contract from the Government for netting.

There were not enough men to enable the terms of the contract to be satisfied, so dozens of St. Dunstan's men, engaged on other handicrafts, abandoned their normal work and volunteered for an intensive training course.

Nets are now being turned out daily by the score of yards.

A number of blinded men are mending listening-posts, and more than 100 are acting as telephone switch-board operators.

Others are in Government offices, and blind shorthand-typists hold responsible Government appointments.

Blind masseurs have joined the "massage corps" employed to aid the recovery of war casualties.

QUEEN HELPS LORD MAYOR'S FUND



EVERY DAY the Queen plays her important part on the Home Front in the fight against the Nazis. Here she is shown attending Christie's famous auction rooms in London, where articles were sold on behalf of the Lord Mayor's Fund for the Red Cross and St. John Ambulance.

Leopold Has 3 Pro-Nazi Advisers PARIS THEORY

From VICTOR SCHIFF

KING LEOPOLD has returned to his palace in Brussels, according to a report from the Belgian frontier.

Second thoughts have not tempered the bitterness felt against Leopold by Belgians in Paris.

Belgian Socialist sources are alleging that since the invasion began his chief concern was to save his Crown.

Leopold, I was told, has been under three main influences.

First is a beautiful German baroness, with whom he used to spend holidays at Lavandou and other resorts.

The second is his aide-de-camp, General Raoul Van Overstraten. My Belgian informants declared that two days before the surrender, Van Overstraten returned to Ostend after a flying visit to Rome.

He had apparently received an Italian promise to obtain Hitler's guarantee that Leopold would keep his throne.

Stayed With Him The third influence is ex-Minister Deman, chairman of the Socialist Party.

Deman's suspected sympathies with Nazism were strongly but unsuccessfully denounced years ago by the veteran Socialist leader M. Vandervelde.

Now Deman is said to have remained with Leopold after his decision to capitulate.

Leopold's brother, the Count of Flanders, is reported to have had a leg amputated after being wounded.

Surtax Payer Sued, Offers 10s. A Month

A SURTAX payer, Philip Horace Evans, the May-Phill Hotel, Battlesbridge, Essex, sued by the Cleveland Petroleum Company, Ltd., of Chalfield Road, Battersea, at Clerkenwell County Court, recently, for £31 12s. 6d. for petrol supplied, offered to pay ten shillings a month.

He said he had spent nearly £20,000 converting a house and grounds into an hotel and petrol station, but the blackout had killed the business.

Overdraft of £9,600 He was now living in three rooms on the property, had an overdraft of £9,600, and was paying off rates, Schedule A income-tax and surtax by instalments.

When Mr. Evans said he was "sneaking" the money on which he lived off what he should be paying for mortgage, Mr. Registrar Friend stated: "Then sneak a couple of pounds more to pay these creditors. A man who is paying surtax should be able to pay for the petrol supplied him."

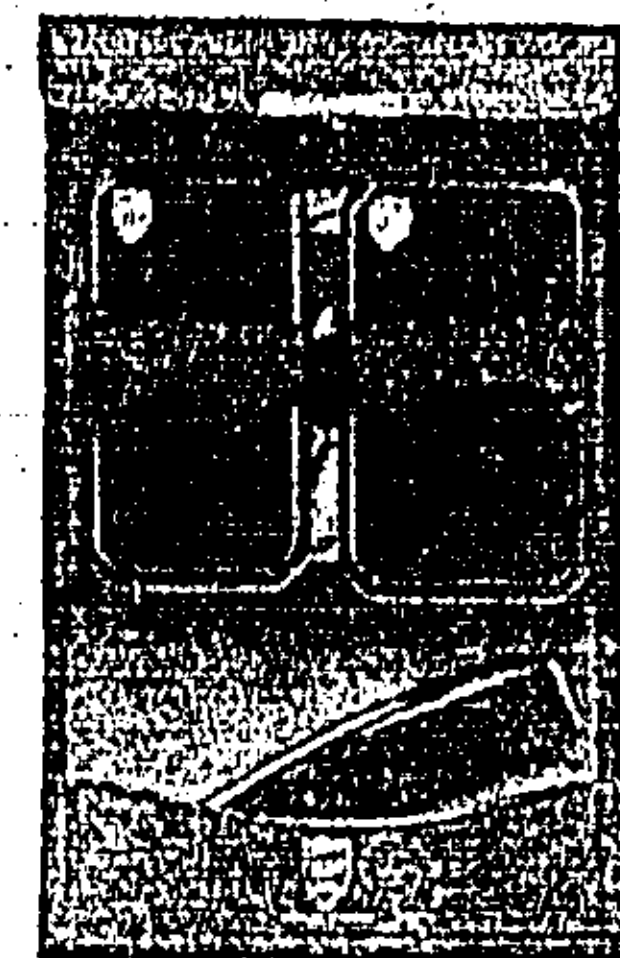
DIPLOMAT OUT OF FAVOUR

Mexico City, June 13. It is stated semi-officially that the German Press Attaché, Herr Arthur Dietrich, may be declared persona non grata and requested to leave.



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Naval Appointment New Superintendent of Dockyard Police

Lieut. Cmdr. S. J. Horswell, who, since the outbreak of hostilities, has been serving on the staff of Commodore A. M. Peters, R.N., in Hongkong, has been appointed Superintendent of Police and Passive Defence Officer H.M. Naval Yards, Hongkong, Kowloon and attached establishments. He will assume duties on July 1, and, incidentally, is the first officer to attain this appointment.

WHY ITALY WENT TO WAR

Rome, June 13. The Duke of Aosta, Viceroy of Abyssinia, has addressed a proclamation to the population in Addis Ababa announcing that Italy had entered the war for the triumph of justice and liberty.—Reuters.

the various Training and New Entry Establishments and throughout the Great War served with the Grand Fleet and the Dover Patrol. Among the warships in which he has served are the Hood, Rodney and Greenwich.

A native of the West Country, Lieut. Cmdr. Horswell is the founder of the newly-formed West Country Society of Hongkong. For the past two years he has been President of the R.N. and H.M. Football Association.

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Yard Collects Fifth Column Evidence

SCOTLAND YARD HAS COLLECTED A MASS OF EVIDENCE ABOUT BRITAIN'S FIFTH COLUMN. IT HAS BEEN GIVEN TO SIR JOHN ANDERSON, THE HOME SECRETARY, WHO HAS INTRODUCED EMERGENCY REGULATIONS TO DEAL WITH IT.

The evidence has been collected by special branch men who have been working ceaselessly for weeks past.

Every word spoken at the May Day rally of the Communist Party in Hyde Park was noted. Sixteen Special Branch shorthand writers were present.

German Contributes To British War Effort

LONDON.—A German refugee who fled to England with his family has sent a cheque for £100 to Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, "as an expression of deep gratitude for the hospitality given to my family and to myself in a moment of great distress."

It is only one of many surprise gifts which Sir John Simon has received from all parts of the world to help Britain's war effort.

Woman In The House Had M.P.s. Guessing

CONSIDERABLE surprise was caused at question time in the House of Commons recently when a dark-haired young woman, who had never been seen there before, walked into the chamber and calmly stood among M.P.s, looking round with interest at them.

The M.P.s scratched their heads thoughtfully and asked if she could have got there by accident or an oversight.

The answer was that she had a perfect right to be present. She was Miss Kathleen Midwinter, of Torquay, the newest member of the staff of committee clerks, and therefore permitted to enter the chamber.

But officials with nearly 40 years' experience of the House say that a woman has never before held such an appointment and that Miss Midwinter is the only woman who has walked in as she did.

FIRE VICTIM DIES

Tragic Sequel to Jordan Road Blaze

Of the six persons sent to the Kowloon Hospital on Wednesday evening suffering from burns received when the ground floor of 34 Jordan Road caught fire, one of them, Sit Under, died yesterday. Two women and three other men are still in the hospital.

Extensive damage was done to the premises, a tailor's establishment, and it was only through the efficient action of the Fire Brigade Department that the blaze was checked before spreading to the upper floors.

Under Inspector Wright of the Yau-mat Police Station, Police patrols also did good work.

Every London policeman on night duty has been warned to look out for people who write slogans on buildings and walls during the black-out.

It is understood that the new regulations to be introduced by the Home Secretary will strengthen the existing defence laws and provide for the prosecution of the arrested offender and also the organisation behind him.

In addition to legal moves against the Fifth Column the Trade Union Congress has discussed disruptive activities by Communists in certain Trades Councils and taken steps to defeat this menace.

M.P.s are also getting anxious.

Miserable Mission
Lord Queenborough, President of the Royal Society of St. George, condemns the Fifth Columnists in a monthly message.

"At home we must counteract the shameful activities of the 'Croakers,' the 'Pacifists' and the various agencies of treachery and sedition who are seeking to perform in our own country the same miserable mission which the Fifth Column of treason and betrayal has carried out in other countries which have fallen a victim to Germany's campaign of terrorism and domination," he says.

"A large share of the guilt for this war lies on the shoulders of those misguided and, in some cases, deliberately ill-intentioned persons, who have for years past sought to undermine the native patriotism of our people."

Danger
"Such bodies as the Communist Party, the Peace Pledge Union, the British Union of Fascists, and the various 'Councils' for 'Christian' or 'Democratic' Settlement, whose poisonous literature is now freely disseminated in our midst, should, in the interests of the Allied cause, be dispersed and rendered powerless to carry on their obnoxious and dangerous activities."

"Large numbers of the refugees from Germany, Austria, and Czechoslovakia were men of strong left-wing and almost Communist sympathies; we cannot rely on their loyalty to the country which has given them shelter."

"In addition, it is well-known that the Gestapo has planted its agents among the refugees, and that many self-styled exiles were and are, in fact, the paid secret agents of the Nazi power."

"All aliens whose antecedents and character are not beyond the slightest shadow of suspicion should be put under restraint or made subject to severe restrictions."

British Aid
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, June 13 (UP).—Great Britain is despatching all available troops and materials to France.

To-day's Strangest Story

Two Sailors

Same Names, Same Ship, Same Age, Same Town

MEET Frederick Arthur Raven, of H.M.S. Ajax, and Frederick Arthur Raven, of H.M.S. Ajax.

They are the central figures of to-day's strangest story. Yes, there is a Frederick Arthur Raven and Frederick Arthur Raven serving in the Ajax. These young men:

Joined the Navy at the same time;
Have fathers named Frederick Raven;
Are aged 19; and
Hold similar opinions on the Graf Spee battle: "We would not have missed it for anything."

Not Related
They both live at Great Yarmouth, but the families are not related. One, a telegraphist, is home on leave now; the other, an able-seaman, is looking forward to his leave.

To avoid complications when the mail from home reaches the ship, Frederick No. 1 looks to see if the letter has been addressed by his mother; if not he hands it to Frederick No. 2.

LATE NEWS

(Continued from Page 1.)

The French Council of Ministers has decided to continue the war.

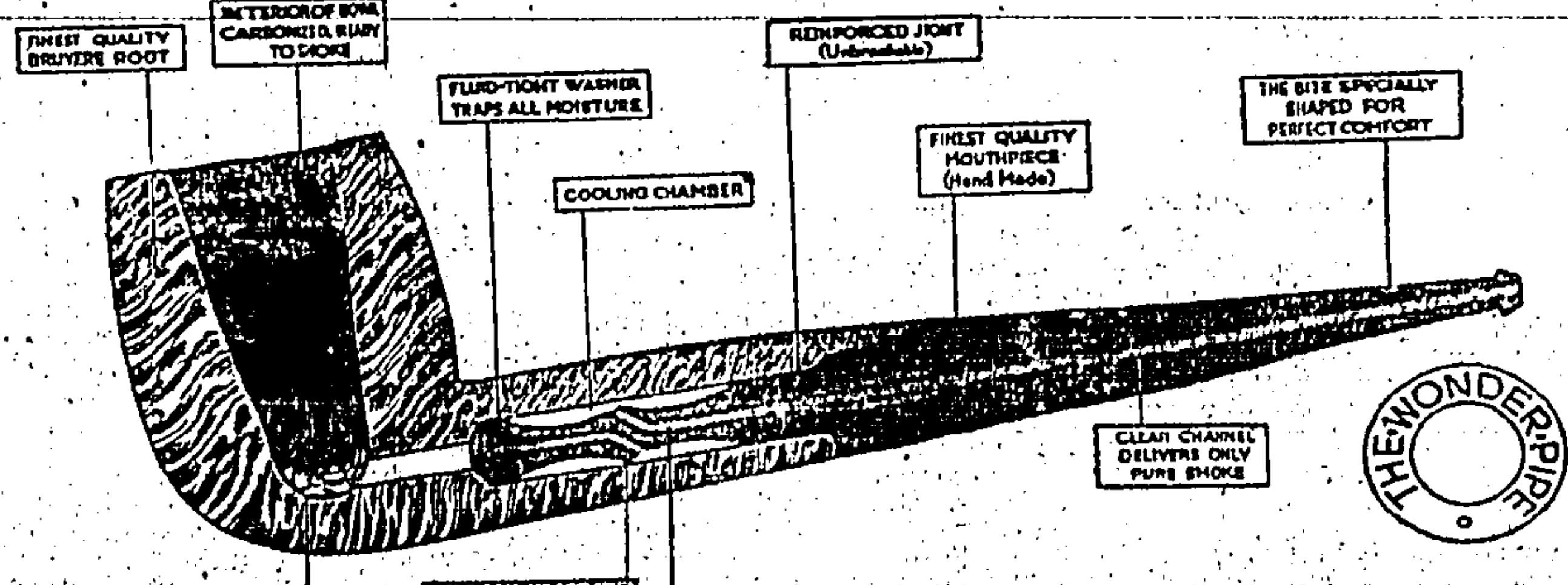
RESISTANCE TO CONTINUE
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOURS, June 13 (UP).—Two meetings of the Supreme War Council were held yesterday. They were followed by a meeting of the French Cabinet.

The Cabinet decided to formally declare Paris an Open City in order to save it from destruction.

The Allies have agreed that even if Paris falls, resistance will continue in France with increased energy.

BRITISH AID
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, June 13 (UP).—Great Britain is despatching all available troops and materials to France.

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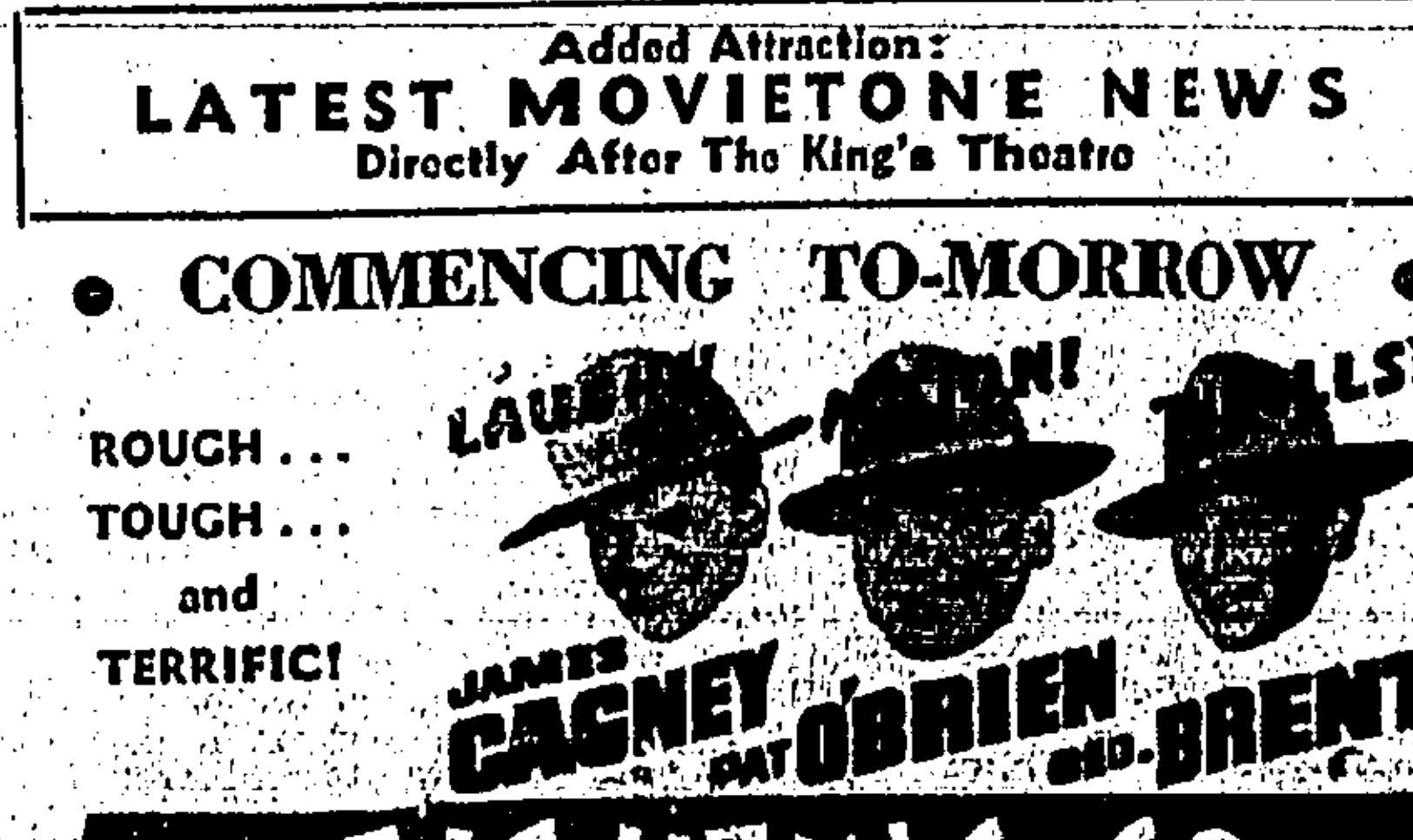
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PARIS FATE SEALED?

FRANCE DECLARES CAPITAL AN OPEN CITY IN EFFORT TO SAVE IT FROM CARNAGE: DEFENDERS WITHDRAWN

FRENCH WILL NOT OFFER RESISTANCE IF SUBURBAN DEFENCES ARE PIERCED

Desperate "Last Ditch" Stand At St. Denis, But "We Are Too Exhausted To Attack"

— Says Official Spokesman

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, JUNE 14 (UP).—PARIS HAS BEEN DECLARED AN OPEN CITY.

In response to pleas from several quarters to save its famous buildings and art treasures from the destruction that would assuredly follow any attempt to defend the city against siege, the French High Command has instructed the Military Governor to withdraw everything of a military nature.

Germany Notified

Germany has been notified of the French decision by Mr. William Bullitt, the U.S. Ambassador to Paris, who has conveyed to the Reich Government the information that Paris is now classified as an Open and undefended city and that the French Commander and garrison has withdrawn.

The decision applies only to the city itself, and fighting will continue until the enemy succeed in reaching the inner suburbs.

Defenders Outnumbered

The official French spokesman, commenting on the decision last night, said that the defenders of the capital were too exhausted and outnumbered to attempt any counter-offensive and once the Germans succeed in penetrating into the suburbs the French troops will retire.

By so doing, said the spokesman, it is hoped that the capital—one of the most beautiful and historic cities in the world—will be spared the horrors of destruction that have befallen Warsaw, Brussels, Amsterdam, Louvain and many of France's own cities.

Onus on Germans

"If and when the Germans start to fight their way into the city, the French troops will withdraw without offering resistance," said the spokesman.

"The onus will be on the Nazis to spare or destroy Paris," he added. The French forces will make a desperate last ditch stand at St. Denis, the suburban fortress on the Seine, two miles north of Paris. The Germans are now advancing on St. Denis from Chantilly.

At 3 p.m. yesterday, a French High Command communique said, the Germans were still 35 miles from Paris. They were in occupation of Creil, Senlis and Chantilly in the north and of the Marne River between Meaux and Laferite in the east.

Trains Still Running

Although it has been decided to permit the Germans to enter the city unopposed, no order for evacuation has been given to the remaining populace. Trains are still running to the south and south-west.

None of Paris's famous bridges have been destroyed and it is now intended to leave them intact.

There are unconfirmed reports that German bombers attacked the industrial suburbs of the capital yesterday.

VIVID STORY OF RETREAT

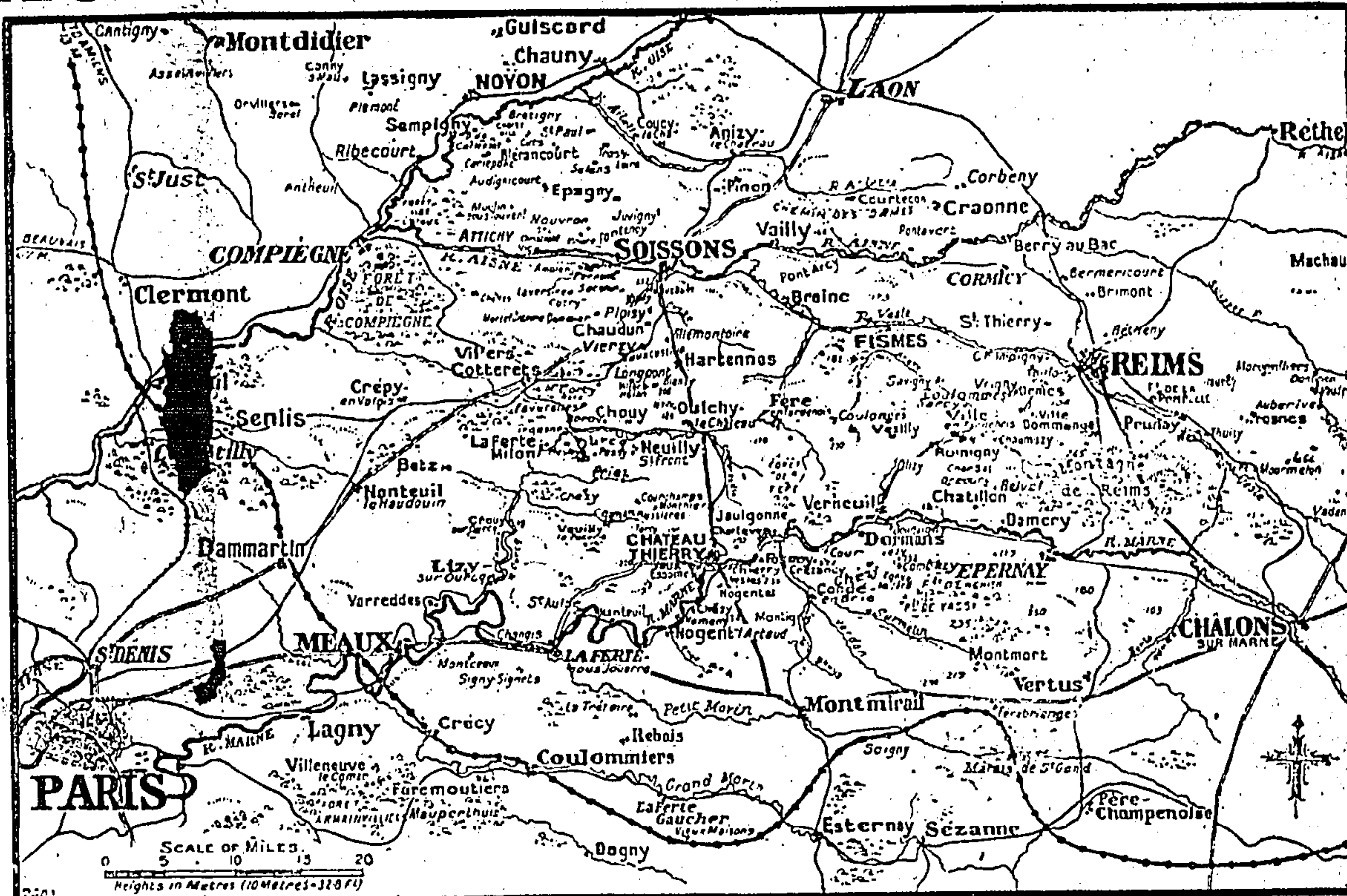
PARIS, June 13 (Reuter).—It is open town, presumably to save it from destruction and bombardment. Battle becomes more violent.

PARIS, June 13 (Reuter).—An official communique issued today states that on both sides of Paris the battle is increasing in violence. West of the capital, new forces attacked south of Meaux.

Motorised and armoured columns started to pour over the bridge-heads of Louviers, south of the Seine River, and Les Andelys, north of the river. They have also started to pour over the bridge-heads of Vernon, south of Les Andelys, in the direction of Pacy-sur-Eure and Evreux.

Drux and Evreux have been bombed. The enemy have machine-gunned a column of refugees.

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Britain Calls Up More Men

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 13 (UP).—It is officially announced that the 1910 and 1911 Classes—the 29 and 30 year olds—are to be called up for Military Service.

The 1911 Class will be required to register for Military Service on Saturday. The 1910 Class must register before June 22.

MOSCOW ACTIVITY

Diplomats Rush To Soviet Capital

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, June 13 (Domei).—Considerable diplomatic activity is in progress in Moscow. Sir Stafford Cripps, the new British Ambassador, and M. la Bigne, the French Ambassador, are due to arrive on Wednesday.

Signor Rizzo, the new Italian Ambassador, has already arrived.

Reaction To Italian Move

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, June 13 (UP).—The "Aften Bladet" reports that the Soviet Vice Commissioner for War General Lokbonnov, unexpectedly arrived at Riga by aeroplane today.

The general is making a detailed inspection of the new Russian military and air bases in the Baltic.

The newspaper claims that his visit was prompted by "Italy's entry into the war."

WAR CASUALTY LISTS

Latest casualty lists, received by air mail, may be inspected at the Hongkong Telegraph office, Second Floor. They include an Admiralty list of 597 names.

Nazis Refuse To Accept French Assurance

MAY DEMAND IMMEDIATE CAPITULATION OF PARIS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

IT IS CONSIDERED THAT THE FRENCH HIGH COMMAND WILL RECEIVE AN ULTIMATUM FROM GERMANY, DEMANDING THE IMMEDIATE CAPITULATION OF PARIS ON PAIN OF DESTRUCTION.

This procedure was adopted by the Germans in Poland when Warsaw was surrounded.

Refusal of the Warsaw garrison to surrender led to the destruction of the city.

A "Domei" message from Berlin states that the German Foreign Office refuses to confirm official receipt of any declaration from the Military Governor of Paris that the capital has been declared an Open City.

"The fate of Paris is entirely dependent upon developments," the Nazi spokesman said.

No Troops Left In City

It is officially announced in Washington the U.S. diplomatic intermediaries have informed the Reich Government that all French troops have been withdrawn from Paris and that the city is now completely undefended.

The Paris garrison and its Commander are understood to have left the city for an unspecified front.

Capture Imminent, Claim

The German High Command claimed last night that the capture of Paris was imminent. The opinion is expressed in Berlin that General Weygand will not find it impossible to maintain a continuous front and to carry out an orderly retreat to the south, says a "United Press" message.

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CANADA'S BIG WAR EFFORT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MONTREAL, June 13 (UP).—Although secrecy surrounds the details of quantities of war materials crossing the Atlantic from Canada, a steady flow is going forward.

On May 10, a total of 81,519 men were under arms in Canada, and the recruiting of approximately 50,000 more is now in progress.

Factories At Full Blast

One Canadian Division is now in England, waiting to go into action. A second Division is expected to proceed overseas in the near future.

Factories in Canada are working 24 hours daily producing armaments, tanks and aircraft. Shell production is to be doubled.

LATEST

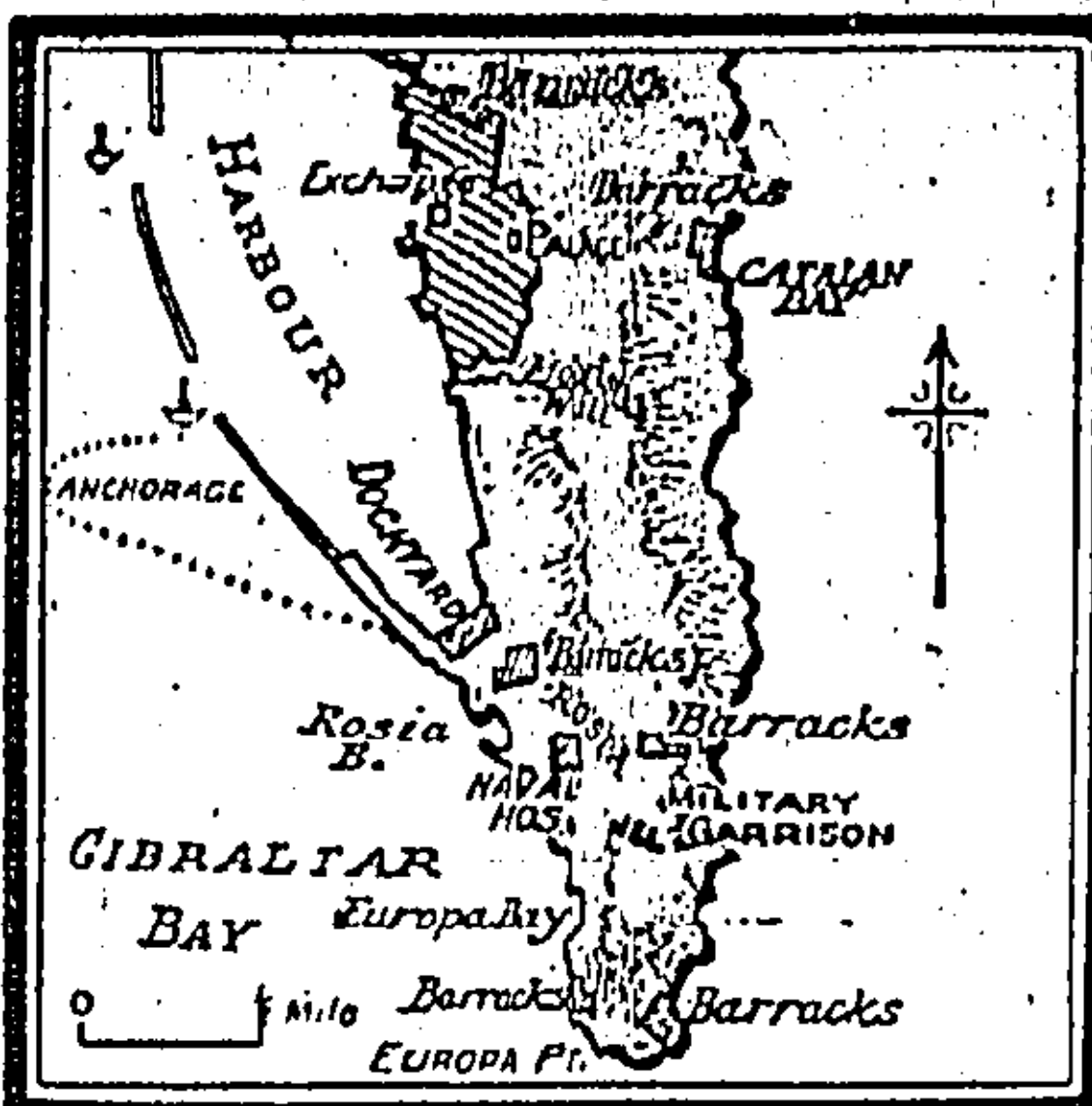
ULTIMATUM BY RADIO

BERLIN, June 14 (DOMEI).—THE GERMAN HIGH COMMAND HAS DECIDED TO SEND BY RADIO AN ULTIMATUM TO FRANCE THAT UNLESS PARIS IMMEDIATELY SURRENDERS THE CITY WILL BE REDUCED TO ASHES.

THE HIGH COMMAND QUOTES THE FATE THAT OVERTOOK WARSAW AND ROTTERDAM

See Back Page For Further Late News

MAGAZINE PAGE



GUIDE TO GIB.

GIBRALTAR is big news to-day. Its significance as the first important post on Britain's sea route to India and the Far East is apparent to everyone.

The Rock of Gibraltar is a precipitous narrow crag about three miles long running due north and south. It is also almost completely inaccessible both from the north and south, and it is only because there is a restricted shelf of land on the western side that it is possible to maintain it as a naval base and garrison.

When approached from the Spanish side across the race-course and military cemetery, the Rock rises perpendicularly for nearly 1,000 ft. At Europa Point, directly opposite the African coast, the cliffs rise to 200 ft. On the eastern side there is only a diminutive beach called Catalan Bay, reached by a narrow track from the north.

The naval harbour works are now very considerable, and have been developed from the first days of the occupation. The amount of ground available for building, and the erection of sheds and barracks was so small that 64 acres had to be reclaimed from the sea. Some of the recovered land near the Alameda Gardens was once 40 ft. under water.

To-day the enclosed anchorage, within the huge stone moles, extends to 440 acres. Even at low tide there is a clearance of 30 ft. In addition, there are three large graving docks, one of them extending to more than 800 ft.

During the Great War Gibraltar was a main coaling station for the British Fleet. Latterly the dockyards have been equipped with huge oil fuel stores.

The harbour is deep enough at all times to accommodate the Mediterranean Fleet in safe anchorage. And in Admiralty language Gibraltar is known as H.M.S. Cormorant for the purposes of record.

THERE are hidden galleries all over the Rock and an elaborate tunneling system. An attempt is being made to equip the forts with sufficiently heavy artillery to defend the harbour below against any attack.

Until recently there was scarcely any anti-aircraft organisation, but now a battery has been added to the garrison and, further, a special local defence force is being organised.

The present Governor and Commander-in-Chief is the famous soldier General Sir Edmund Ironside. He has under his command a force of some 3,200, consisting of two battalions of infantry—the 2nd King's Regiment and the 2nd Somerset Light Infantry, a Fortress Company of the Royal Engineers, three howitzer batteries, and details of Signals and the various corps of the commissariat.

THE native population, mostly descended from Italian and Spanish settlers, totals 16,850. Their numbers are severely restricted by the authorities because of the limited space in the little town.

"The Rock" has been a symbol of British mastery at sea since 1704 when it was surprised by a combined British and Dutch fleet under Sir George Rooke. Since then it has been maintained as a naval and military base, and only once has our possession been seriously threatened—at the time of the American War of Independence, when the Spaniards laid siege to it for four years from 1779 to 1783.

For the past 150 years the history of the Rock has been almost uneventful. Even during the Great War it did not figure in any prominent naval incidents, although all those years its harbour was the scene of great naval activity.

THE PERFECT BABY-

JOAN CONSTANCE BENNETT, of Falmouth, Exeter, was once awarded a silver jug as a perfect baby.

Last week she collapsed and died. She had complained of toothache and about her throat.

A pathologist, at the inquest, attributed her death to a germ which he thought entered the bloodstream through a tooth socket. "One of 10 children would have been nine in July."

An innocent abroad looks at



QUESTION: Where and what is Pantelleria?

ANSWER: A small Italian island strategically placed between Italy and North Africa, transformed into a sea and air base in the last two years.

Like nearby Malta, the British base, it seeks to command the bottle-neck which joins the western and eastern basins of the Mediterranean.

Some experts say it is better placed than Malta because it lies like an anchored battleship right in the only deep-water channel, while Malta is further to the south-east.

Forty-five square miles in area, it is crowned by 2,700 feet high Monte Grande.

Why Tunis gives Italy a headache

by HARRY GREENWALL

GABES (Tunisia).

THE vital importance the French General Staff attaches to the Protectorate of Tunisia may be gathered from a remark made to me by a high French official who said: "If Italy declares war we shall invade Tripolitania so as to protect Egypt."

I have reason to know that this plan is within the knowledge of the Italian Government, and accounts in no small measure for the outbursts of claims respecting Tunisia.

The Italian-inspired Press states that the French intend to use this country as a jumping-off place to attack Tripolitania.

Whatever may be the truth concerning the Italian allegation, it must be a well-established fact that the French have absolutely nothing to fear from an Italian attack launched from the neighbouring colony.

The so-called Tunisian Maginot Line runs southwards from this city alongside the foothills which themselves descend perpendicularly to the Italian frontier. It is claimed that this colonial Maginot Line is even stronger than the Line alongside the Rhine.

With the official secrets I have nothing to do, but even a layman cannot imagine any foreign strategist launching an attack in this forlorn terrain.

Impassable Barrier

GABES is approximately 250 miles from Tunis, and is linked to it by a railway line which follows the contours of the coast. The "pill-boxes" and subterranean fortresses which form the first line of defence may be even stronger than the experts say they are, but, at all events, the second line of defence, which is provided by Nature herself, is an impassable barrier which will defy any weapon of offence except aeroplanes.

This second line is nothing less than two huge salt lakes which, except for a few miles, link the Algerian-Tunisian frontier with the Mediterranean.

In Arabic lake is called "Chott." To the extreme west is Chott el Gharsa, which goes from the Algerian frontier eastwards to a small and narrow neck of land which separates the lake from the enormous Chott el Djerid, the end of which is roughly 20 miles from the Mediterranean.

So, even if an attacking force successfully overran the "Maginot Line" along the mountains to the south, it would be faced by a problem such as no military chief since Hannibal has ever had to face.

From impressions gained by personal inspection, and from knowledge imparted by persons who speak with the voice of authority, I am able to affirm that the French General Staff does not anticipate any danger from the south, but if the danger of attack does materialise it will come from the east, and for this reason work is going on day and night to fortify the Gulf of Hammamet.

Huge batteries of long-range guns have been erected just to the north of Sousse, and other batteries are being built between Zaghouat and Hammamet.

Bone Of Contention

IT is claimed that the Port of Bizerte, north of Tunis, is a tactically important position, and that the artificial lake behind Bizerte is big enough and deep enough to hold the whole British Mediterranean Fleet in comfort and safety.

This, I am afraid, is at the present moment rather an exaggeration.

The territory of Tunisia is about one-third the size of France, but a considerable part of it is uninhabitable. The population at the last census was 2,400,000.

We at home are apt to think of this country as one of those very far away places, and yet do you know, this backdoor colony of France is just a mere 20 hours by sea from Marseilles, and by plane just an interval between an early breakfast and a late lunch?

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Can I have to-morrow afternoon off, Boss? My grandmother's getting married again!"

A FEW FACTS ABOUT OUR NEW ENEMY

ITALY

Population 43,578,000. Area 119,714 sq. miles.

The extent of land frontiers is 1,185 miles, coast length being 5,326 miles.

Agriculture, including the growing of grapes and olives, forms the principal industry, agricultural land extending to 70,548,878 acres. Is practically self-supporting in foodstuffs, produce of cereals totalling 10,000,000 tons.

Textiles are the largest and most important manufacturing industry.

Italy is not rich in mineral deposits, and is especially lacking in coal. Production of iron and steel amounts to only about 3,000,000 tons.

The chemical industry has been greatly developed, the production of sulphuric acid being 15,317,273 tons. Oil output is almost negligible.

Mercantile marine totals 2,071,830 tons gross.

Italy's colonial empire is principally in Africa, and consists of Italian East Africa (Eritrea, Ethiopia and Italian Somaliland) and Libya. On Good Friday, April 7, 1939, Italy invaded Albania, which is now part of the Italian Empire and is administered by a Lieutenant-General. Population 1,000,000. Area 10,629 sq. miles.

HONGKONG WAR GIFT Public Meeting Called For Next Friday

At the recent public meeting in St. Andrew's Hall, which was called to discuss ways and means of assisting the British War Organisation Fund, it was considered that many local residents would like to be associated with an effort to raise money for some specific gift, such as an aeroplane, an ambulance, a tank, or a motor torpedo boat, and the Rev. J. B. Higgs was asked to call another public meeting to decide which one of these should be selected.

Mr. Higgs therefore announces that a public meeting will be held in the Rector Room of the Peninsula Hotel next Friday, June 21, at 6 p.m.

All members and sections of the public on both sides of the harbour are invited to be present, and it is hoped that the attendance will be worthy of the purpose of the meeting.

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HELPFUL HINTS FOR YOUR SCRAP-BOOK

HOW often have you read dozens and dozens of household hints and promptly forgotten all about them. Then some day when you want to mend an ornament or take a stain out of some material you cannot remember the valuable hints you had read.

So to-day, in order to assist you, we are publishing many useful household hints. They can easily be cut out and pasted into a "Household Hint Scrapbook." You've no idea how useful it will be. Just try it.

RECIPES always call for level measurements unless "heaping" is specified.

A SALAD made with eggs, fish, meat, chicken, vegetables or other substantial foods calls for a heavy dressing such as mayonnaise.

TRY strong tea to remove raw vegetables stains from the fingers.

A little flour added to the fat in which eggs are to be fried, will keep them from popping and scattering grease.

A LITTLE vinegar added to the last rinse in laundering lingerie or hosiery is said to add strength to the materials.

SAGGING seats of caned chairs can be brought back into shape: Turn them upside down and wash with soapy water. Use plenty of water, both for washing and rinsing. The seats should be thoroughly soaked, and in drying they tighten up into shape again.

LACE curtains may be washed in the washing machine with safety if enclosed in a pillow case.

IT IS possible to rebake a joint without losing any of the essential goodness if this method is followed:—Cover the meat with hot mashed potatoes, dipping the knife in hot water and making the covering smooth, brush over with beaten egg, or dredge with raspings, and place in a fairly hot oven until thoroughly heated and browned. Serve with the usual sauce.

If a deep saucepan is not available for a large pudding, it is possible to improvise one by inverting a slightly larger saucepan on top of the one in which the pudding is steamed.

FOR lighter scrambled eggs, add one level teaspoon of baking powder for every six eggs used just before cooking.

YOU will get a few more months of wear out of a worn off, lopsided broom by soaking it in hot water for about five minutes and then trimming the straw evenly with a pair of shears.

IF YOU own an electric cooker, never try to remove stains from the aluminum with a fork or knife, as you may cut through the metal. Apply a little scouring powder, or steel wool. Or boil a little elder vinegar in the cooker.

A PIECE of carpet-nail to an oblong piece of board about the size of a blackboard eraser, is excellent to use for painting screens.

A TEASPOON of salt added to the water when boiling potatoes will keep the skins from breaking.

A WELL-equipped kitchen has strainers of different sizes, in a

variety of meshes, for straining orange juice, tea and vegetables.

WHEN sewing large pieces of work, such as sheets, table-cloths, and blankets, an excellent method of keeping the cotton handy is to use a large safety-pin, slip the reel through the pin, and fasten the pin on to the work in hand, near where you are sewing.

This enables you to draw a thread as desired without the cotton either falling on the floor or else being in an inconvenient place owing to the size of the work.

USE a drop of glycerine in the works when you "roll" the mending machine. Ordinary oil cannot be used because it might taint the food, but glycerine won't do any harm.

SHOULD the crown of a hat stretch so that it feels uncomfortable, try substituting a strip of velvet for the original silk inside binding, as it will then fit much better.

If the leather binding of a book is shabby or has mildew on it, rub with a soft cloth dipped in oil of lavender, and when dry polish with a soft duster.

CORK table-mats can be quickly cleaned by first wetting them and rubbing with pumice stone. Rinse under a tap before drying.

SLIGHTLY warm newly-purchased tea in the oven before putting it into the caddy, and its flavour will be much improved.

G. G. T.

RUBBER bands wound around each end of a clothes hanger will keep blouses and dresses of flimsy textures from slipping off.

A PIECE of bag made of mosquito netting or from an old lace curtain will save you the trouble of emptying the entire contents, as the piece you want will be seen from the outside.

THE perfect topping for well-buttered pancakes or waffles is a mixture of brown sugar, cloves and cinnamon.

If you like vegetable combinations, try cooking celery with tomatoes, add half a small onion, finely chopped, and season to taste.

A HOUSEWIFE greases her hands well before using washing soda or a solution containing lye.

LINENS should be kept in a closet that is dry but not too hot. No matter how immaculate a linen closet may be, it is good to use old sheets to cover linen shelves.

LIGHTLY waxed woodwork cuts down cleaning. Rub spots that are handled often—banisters, the areas around doorknobs and windows—with a thin coat of floor wax. This forms a protective coating, making it very easy to wipe off finger marks.

WALLPAPER should be dusted periodically with a broom wrapped in a clean, dry cloth.

DID you know that one egg will do the work of a half-teaspoon baking powder in a cake?

TO remove old grass stains, rub with molasses and allow to stand for several days before washing. Fresh grass stains may generally be removed by soaking in alcohol.

WILTED celery can be crisped by placing in a pan of cold water to which half a lemon is added.

IN selecting summer draperies for a too-sunny room, concentrate on the cool colour, blues, greens and blue-violets.

TO fasten corks tightly in bottles, boil the corks for five minutes to soften them and then, while hot, press them into the bottles. When cool, the seal will be perfect.

Marmalade Scones

EATEN directly, or a few hours after they are made marmalade scones need no additional fat. Rub two ounces of marmalade into eight ounces of flour, a teaspoonful of cream of tartar, and half a teaspoonful of baking soda.

Add a tablespoonful of marmalade and enough milk to make a soft dough. Roll out, cut into rounds of triangles, and bake for ten minutes in a hot oven.

Devil's Food Cake

Add 1 cup of water slowly to 1 package devil's food mix; stir until smooth. Pour into two 8-inch greased layer cake pans. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 20 to 25 minutes. Prepare seven-minute frosting. To ½ frosting add ¼ cup chopped chocolate-covered almonds. Spread between layers. Cover tops and sides with remaining frosting. Decorate with chocolate almonds.



Cookery Recipes

ALL raisins and currants are rich in natural sugar, so they are very helpful in eking out the sugar ration. In addition, these fruits afford concentrated nourishment in a remarkable degree. Here are a few thrifty recipes the family will enjoy.

Steamed Bread Pudding

Have 2 breakfasts soaked bread, 3 tablespoons chopped suet, 2 tablespoons syrup, 1 dessertspoon cocoa, 1 teaspoon cleaned sultanas or currants, 1 egg.

Soaked the bread for at least an hour in hot water. Squeeze out the surplus water and whisk with a fork. Add the other dry ingredients, and stir in the egg beaten with the syrup. Have the mixture fairly stiff, turn into greased basin, and steam steadily 2 hours. Turn out, and serve with custard sauce.

Baked Souffle

We generally think of souffles as luxury dishes, but this one, though delicious, is not extravagant. Place 1 tablespoon margarine in lined pan, and add to it 1 breakfast cup milk. Heat it, then pour in the bread-crumbs, 2 tablespoons currants, and sugar to sweeten. Cook 5 minutes; cool; then add yolk of egg. Mix well, then fold in beaten white lightly.

Current Shortcake

When you are expecting friends home "on leave" here is a special treat you might give them:—

Filling:—4 ozs currants, 1 tablespoon moist sugar, ½ teaspoon mixed spice.

Cake-mixture:—2 teaspoons flour, ½ teaspoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon caster sugar, pinch salt, 4 ozs margarine, cold water.

Make the shortcake like shortcrust pastry. Divide into 2 equal portions, and roll each into a round about ¼ inch thick.

Mix the currants with the sugar and spice, spread them over one round of pastry, and distribute the margarine in small pats on top. Damp edge of pastry and cover with second round. Press together, and mark edges neatly with a knife. Place on a floured baking tray, make a few holes in cake with a skewer, brush top over with milk, and bake in a fairly hot oven for 30-40 minutes. Serve hot or cold.

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Coffee Cake Muffins

Cream ½ cup sugar. Beat 2 egg yolks; add. Mix and sift 1½ cups flour, ½ teaspoon nutmeg, ½ teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons baking powder; add alternately with ½ cup milk to first mixture. Pour into greased muffin pans. Combine ¼ cup flour, ¼ cup brown sugar, ¼ teaspoon cinnamon. Add ½ cup melted butter or margarine; mix until crumbly. Sprinkle crumbs on top of muffin batter. Bake in hot oven (400 degrees F.) 20 minutes. Serve hot. Makes 18.

refrigerator. Add a few drops of lemon juice, a little less water than stated in the directions, and put the mould in a bowl of cold salted water in a draughty place.

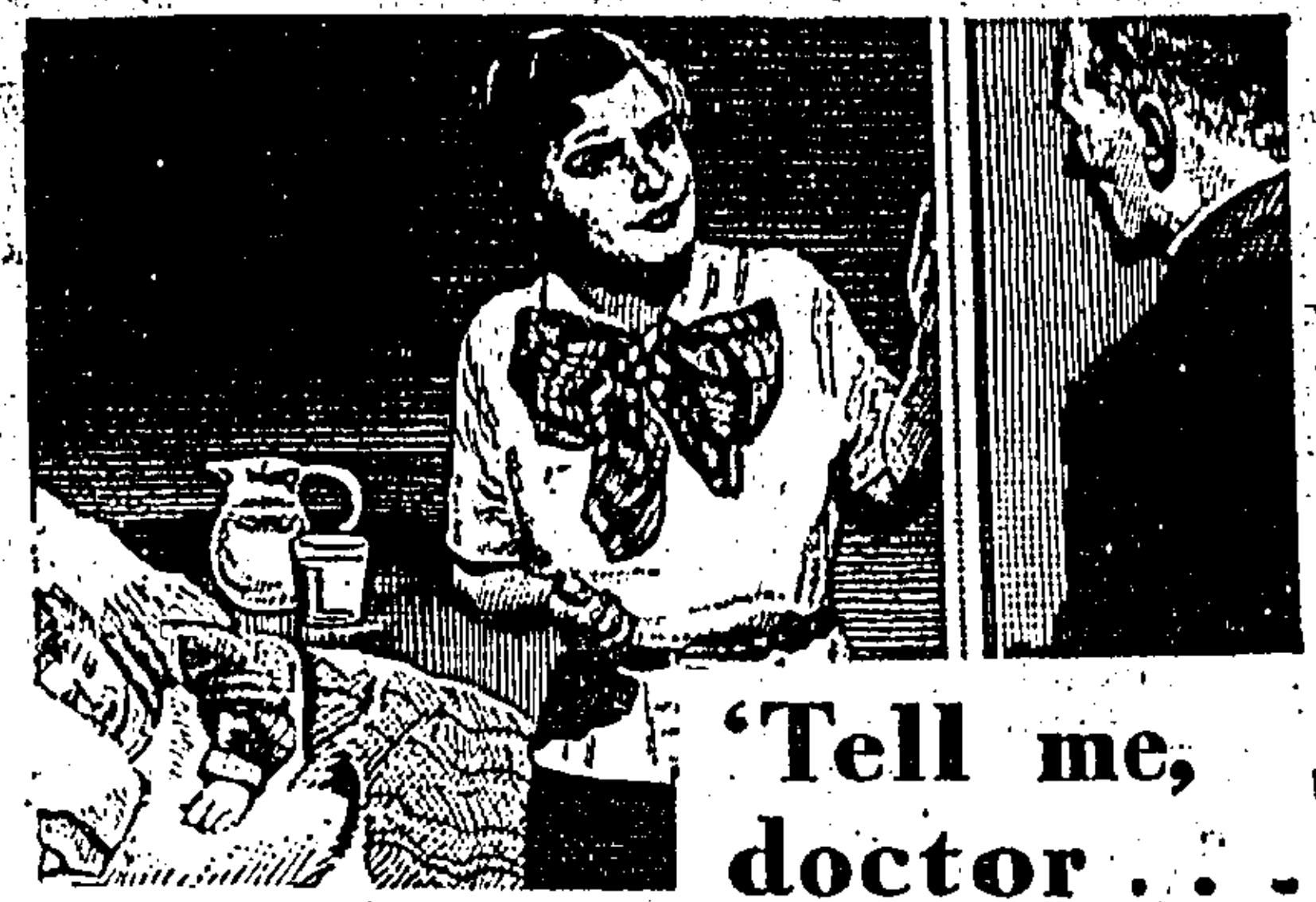
Junkets, on the other hand, require a warm, sheltered spot to set in. If they are required quite cold, they can be put in cold water or the refrigerator after they have set.

Summer Catering

COLD meat is popular with well-made salads in warm summer weather. If possible, avoid cutting any slices off the hot joint, since valuable juices escape when this is done, and the cold meat loses flavour and nourishment.

During the summer, leaves of bread will keep fresher if they are wrapped up separately in greaseproof paper and laid on an airy shelf—a lath shelf for preference.

When making pastry in hot weather, choose the early morning or late evening if possible. See that the water is quite cold, keep the windows and doors wide open in the kitchen, and draw the blinds if there is any sun. A glass bottle is cooler than an ordinary rolling-pin for rolling out pastry in hot weather. Jellies take longer to set in the summer unless they can be put in a



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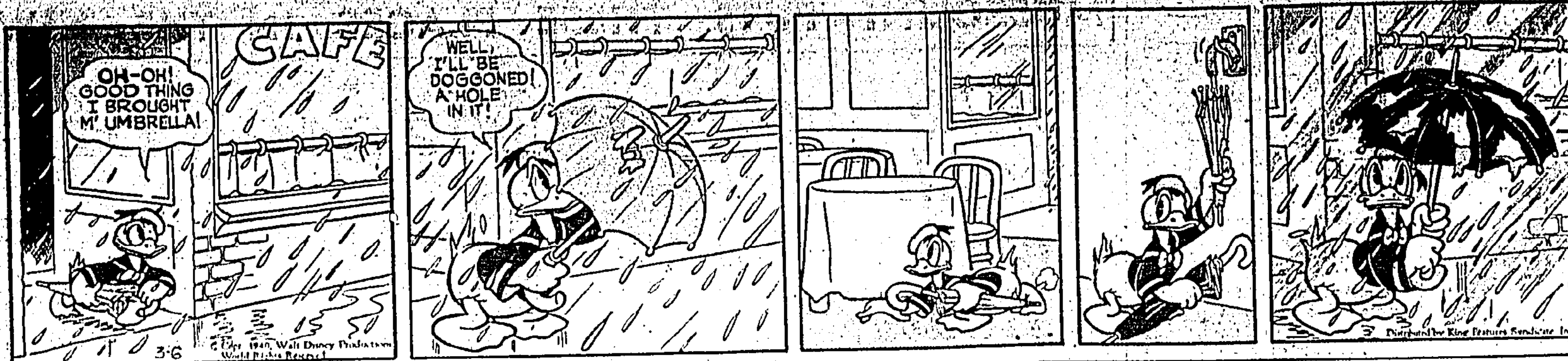
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FROM the kiddies' fashion world. This charming model pictured above is in green linen with white borders. Note the smart cross-stitch embroidery decoration on the bodice.

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Eton Boy's Academy Pictures

EDWIN BRAMALL, a 16-year-old Eton boy of Symons Street, S.W., has had two pictures accepted by the Royal Academy.

Surprised but proud he went to Burlington House to varnish them.

"I really sent them in for fun," he said.

"Last Christmas I painted 'The Ballet' as a holiday task. I made it up out of my head. It is a picture of a ballet as seen from a theatre box.

"My other picture, 'Blonde Square,' is a view painted from my parents' house. My mother suggested I should send them to the Academy.

"I study art at Eton under Mr. Wilfred Blunt, but I don't think I shall become a professional artist."

Nurse's Success

Miss Molly Haigh, who has had a picture accepted, is a V.A.D. nurse at the R.A.F. hospital at Torquay. She is a native of Buckinghamshire and until the war was a professional artist in London.

"This was the only picture I submitted and it was the first time that I had offered one to the Academy. It is the still-life group," she said.

Preparing For Victory Dance

LONDON, (UP).—One village in England is ready to hold its Victory dance at an hour's notice.

The village hall is booked, the band warned to attend at short notice, the tickets are printed, and the entering committee has its orders to go ahead immediately news of peace reaches Constable Frank Lee at the police station.

For Byfield village, Northamptonshire, has twice been let down. At the jubilee celebration of George V. and Queen Mary, and at the Coronation of the present King and Queen, every hall and band had been booked up and Byfield was left high and dry with no celebrations. It does not intend a repeat of this when peace celebrations start up.

Only One Man Left Down on the (1,000-Acre) Farm

By an Agricultural Correspondent

FARMERS are becoming alarmed at the shortage of labour to cope with the grow-more-food drive. It is now their most pressing problem.

The National Farmers' Union have received reports from many parts of the country showing how serious the situation is.

In Gloucestershire three farms are mentioned where there is one man on 1,000 acres; a farm of 450 acres and no man; a farm of 400 acres with one girl and no man.

Cheshire reports farms of 150 to 200 acres with only one or two workers; Dorset reports an increasing shortage.

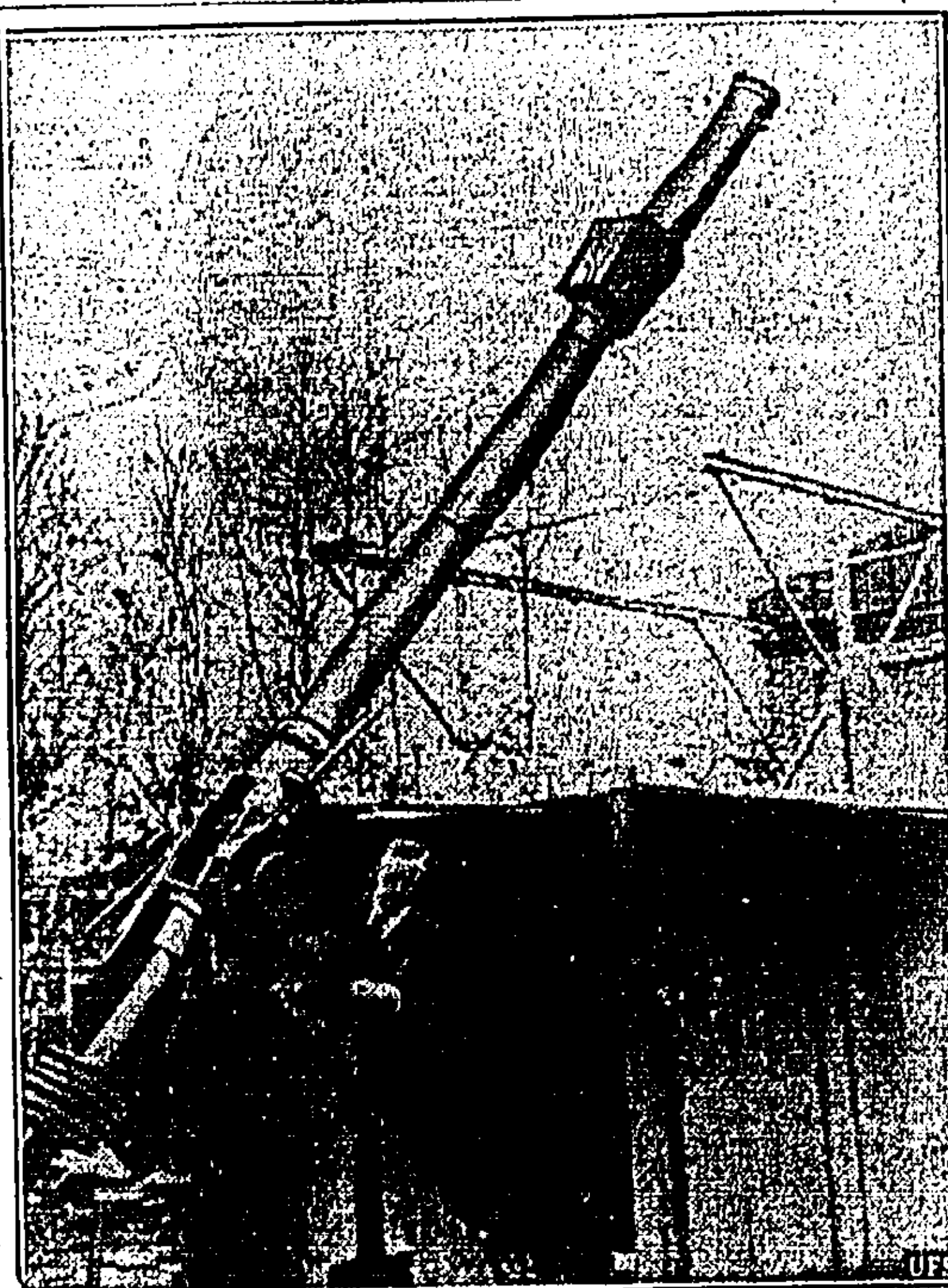
Regular farm workers are becoming fewer, not only because some of the 20-year-olds are called up, but because many are attracted by the higher wages for building camps.

£4-A-Week At 17

Mr. S. T. Cowcher secretary of the Gloucester N.F.U., quoted the case of a boy receiving the standard farm wage of £1 per week who left to work on a neighbouring aerodrome at 55s.; of another boy of 17 receiving 30s., who was given work by a Government contractor at £4 per week.

Farmers realise that skilled new agricultural workers cannot be dropped into their laps, they are even prepared to see agriculture, in common with all other industries, make some contribution to the fighting forces.

But they are deeply disturbed about this steady drain of skilled farm hands who are tempted away by wages agriculture could not possibly offer at present price levels.



This is Harvard University's new coronagraph, resembling anti-aircraft gun, to be set up in Colorado Rocky Mountains to study solar corona in effort to predict magnetic storms. Professor Menzel adjusts it.

VATICAN PAPER STOPS

Rome, June 13.

The *Popolo di Roma* reports that the *Osservatore Romano*, the Vatican paper, has suspended publication for the period of the war and that the archives of the French Embassy and British Legation in the Holy See have been brought to Vatican City. It is expected that the British Minister, Mr. F. Charles-Roux, will reside in the Vatican for the duration of the war.—United Press.

SOVIET STILL SILENT

Moscow, June 13.

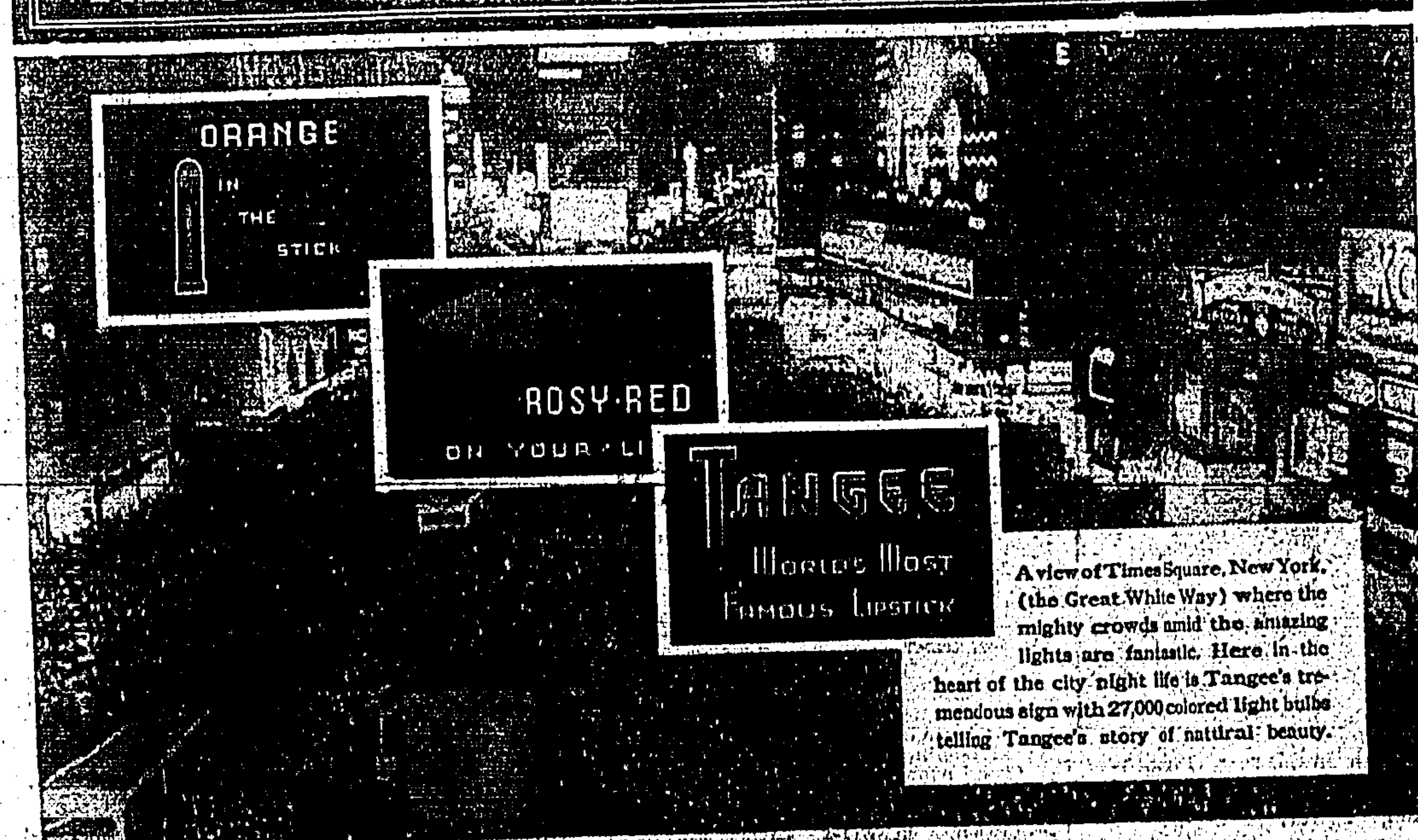
The Soviet attitude towards Italy is still officially unknown as the Press is silent, though publishing all the belligerent communiques. Censorship continues to forbid comment.—United Press.

KOVNO RESIGNATIONS

Kovno, June 13.

The resignations of the Minister of Interior, General Kazys Skutans, and the Chief of the State Police, M. Augustinas Povilaitis, are announced.—United Press.

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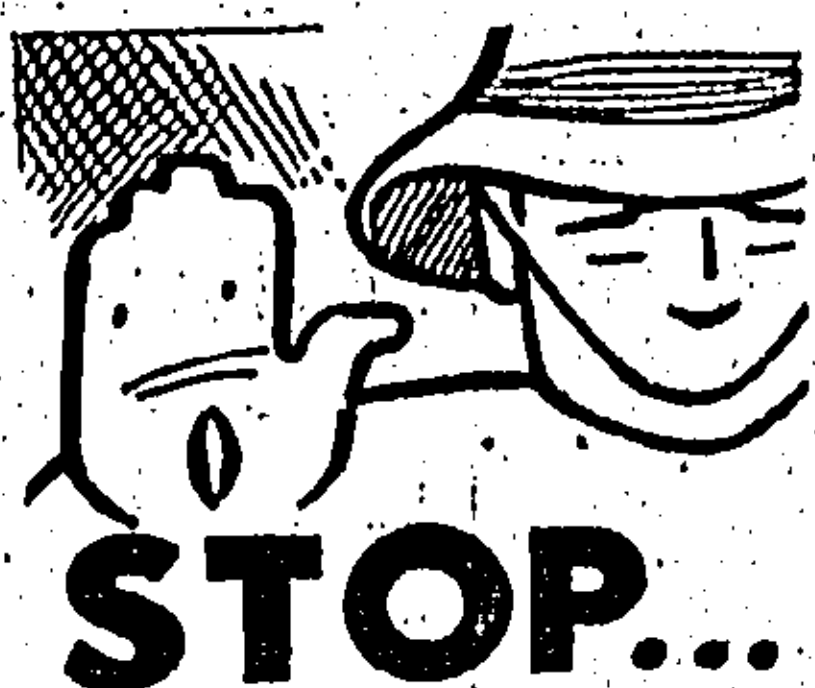
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The B.W.O.F.

The Rev. J. R. Higgs and his

public spirited supporters, we

are happy to note, are losing no

time in furthering their initial

effort to stimulate Hongkong's

interest in the war effort. A

second public meeting has been

arranged for to-day week, June

21, in the Rose Room of the

Peninsula Hotel, at which the

public will have opportunity of

airing more views on the best

and quickest methods of raising

funds for the B.W.O.F. We

earnestly and heartily commend

this meeting to our readers.

It will be seen from the official

notice of this meeting, published

elsewhere in this issue, that

suggestions for increasing Hong-

kong's war effort are advanced.

For example, funds might be

earmarked to provide an aero-

plane, an ambulance, a tank, or

a motor torpedo-boat. These

ideas are worthy of fuller con-

sideration, for they enjoy the

virtue of practicability, taking

the discussion from the realm of

academic patriotism into the

fields of applied action.

We hope too that this

second meeting will not only be

much better attended than its

forerunner, but that several of

the suggestions advanced last

Friday will again come up for

discussion. We are particularly

impressed with the proposal for

saving newspapers and empty

tins. That there is a ready and

profitable market for these dis-

carded commodities is indicated

by the eagerness with which

amahs and cook boys seize and

make use of them. Indeed, we

are aware that quite fancy prices

are being paid for old newspapers

and used tins in Hongkong.

There is no reason why the

B.W.O.F. should not receive the

benefit of this market.

Direct service to the Allied

cause may be a trifle difficult to

offer from this great distance,

but money we can give, and here

seems to be at least one sound

and convenient method of

raising some of that money.

Few people are aware of the fact

that second-hand newspapers are

imported into Hongkong and

China for re-sale for various

purposes, chiefly from the

United States. Nearly every

home in Hongkong subscribes to

at least one Hongkong newspaper

and to one or more English,

American or Dominion journals.

If even a fraction of these papers

were saved, the B.W.O.F. might

benefit to the extent of some-

thing like \$10,000 a month.

MUSSOLINI PUTS THESE PLACES IN THE NEWS

Who on earth could want Jibuti?

by
O. D. GALLAGHER

JIBUTI is the town that I, for one, have been most happy to get out of.

It features—there is no other word for it—at the southern end of the Red Sea. Guide-books say it is a "Characteristic French town." Don't believe it. It is characteristic of nothing but that part of the world.

When the Italo-Abyssinian fight was on, Jibuti was estimated to have a population of about 650 whites. In the old days it was a port of call for all kinds of adventurers—slave-traders, gun runners, dope smugglers, anything. They have stopped the slave-traders, it is generally agreed, but the others? Mysterious triangular-sailed dhows still sneak in and out on unknown business.

THERE are four hotels and a cinema in Jibuti. The hotels look on the central square, the Place Melnik. It is here that the cosmopolitan population collects when the sun goes down, allowing them to creep out of their bedroom where they have lain sweltering all afternoon.

They sit in fly-infested cafes round the square, gossiping and listening to radios that blare jazz and propaganda into the African night. Now they are asking why anybody could want such a place.

You have to be a strong man, or one rich enough to buy elaborate comforts, if you are to survive a long stay there.

I remember one fellow, fresh from Europe, who developed hypochondria. If his hand accidentally touched a skinny, half-naked Somali native in the street he had to rush back to his hotel and smother it in disinfectant. The leprous beggars and scabby hawkers that hung about the cafes scared him so badly he even had special baths in disinfectant oil.

JIBUTI began to be a centre for propaganda just before the war. The Abyssinian Consul, a big stone building which the French refused to hand over to the Italians—contained many Abyssinian.

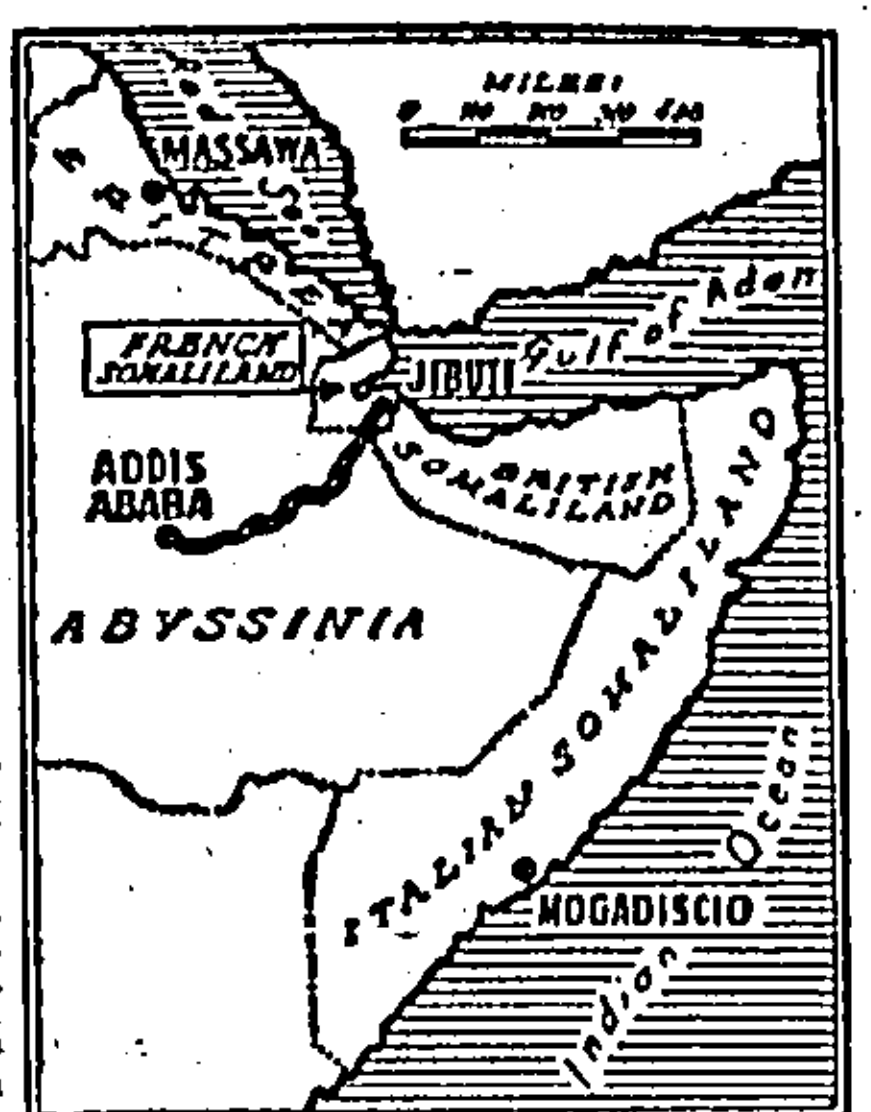
Not far away was the Italian Consulate, inspired by a similar desire to keep the colony informed. When one pinned a typewritten statement on the notice board outside its door, word was quickly carried to the other. The result was that a conflicting reply immediately went up on the enemy board.

And in the cafes, bazaars and streets there was always a confusing variety of reports. The strength of it all can be judged by the cable received in London from Jibuti early in October 1935. It said: "Big military concentrations in Abyssinia. Widely believed war will break almost immediately."

The war had been under way three days.

Of course, Mussolini has his reasons for wanting such a place from France.

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Italian Eritrea (to the north) and Italian Somaliland (to the south). This simile does not take into account less important British Somaliland, which may also be likened to a nut, but it is not one that anybody would be likely to crack at the moment.

An awkward proposition for the Italians is Jibuti, because it prevents them closing the jaws of their geographical nutcrackers.

The Italian nut is Abyssinia, a coconut. But they cannot squeeze the trade juice out of it because their nutcrackers are wedged open by Jibuti.

IN other words, most of the Abyssinia's trade, which the Italians were trying to develop, passes out to the world through Jibuti, humid, unpleasant port of French Somaliland. And the French, sitting pretty down there, collect heavy tolls in the way of Customs dues on coffee, hides, wax, ivory, musk and a few other things.

On top of this, the French take a cut off Abyssinia's trade with the rest of the world. For me, anybody who wants it can have it.

grandiose incredible work, received the congratulations modestly, touched, yet filled with pride. He was an elderly broad-shouldered gentleman with a round brown beard, already streaked with white, and, as usual, earnest eyes.

Eiffel lived and worked long after the erection of the Eiffel Tower—he was then already 57—he died only in 1923. But the red tower of steel in the Champs de Mars remained the great work of his life, with which he entered the history of building for all time.

His tower, for the construction of which 9,000 tons of steel were used, surpassed in height not only all the buildings of those days—the Cheops Pyramid of 474 feet or the Washington Memorial of 507 feet—but it has held the record till now for the tallest building. The New York skyscraper, the Woolworth Building, is 227 feet lower.

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Magic of Dalmatia

THE OLEANDERS, the purest white and the deepest pink in the brilliant sun, will still be out in Dalmatia. Over the cafe tables in Sibenik, Dubrovnik, Herceg Novi (It is not very polite in these Yugoslav days to use the old Italian names, Sebenico, Ragusa, Castelnuovo), the raisins and the grapes will be ripening. On the beaches and terraces the Austrian and English holiday-makers will be getting blacker and blacker, with the midday heat around and over a hundred degrees in what little shade there may be.

For cruising there is no better coast in Europe. Yachts move through the still water like swans on lake. Even when a breeze is blowing, the long islands which lie down the coast protect the deep, warm channels from the Adriatic; and the water of egg-shell blue, inlaid with bands of silver in the morning and evening light, becomes motionless on quiet days that the line dividing it from the sky disappears. In the evening long furlows are cut in the smoothness by the boats which standing oarsmen row out to the fishing grounds with strokes distinct to the eye two miles away; and the sea, very often, is dotted without supplies at night for fishermen to prow round inshore, spearing everything that swims under the powerful petrol lamps fixed over the bows.

sinia's capital, Addis Ababa with Jibuti.

The French are chief shareholders in the railway, which is the only one in Abyssinia—the Land of Prester John, as old-time Portuguese wrongly called it—a land as big as Britain, France, Belgium and Holland together.

How France came to occupy French Somaliland makes an interesting tale. The Compagnie Nanto-Bordelaise sent a ship away to buy a port somewhere in the Red Sea. It was as simple as that in those days.

The captain made a treaty with the Danakils of a place called Edd, and paid them £120 for the village and a piece of hinterland. Apparently this was not a suitable place, for it was incorporated quietly into Eritrea some years later. Off went the Frenchmen again, and bought a place called Obok from some Danakils for £2,500 in 1892. It lay idle for twenty years.

It seemed there were possibilities that Abyssinian trade might find an outlet to the world through another place called Assab in Eritrea, about seventy miles north of Obok. The Italians were busy in Assab. The upshot was the Frenchman's treaties with Somali sultans and established the colony, Cote-Francaise-des-Somalis—French Somaliland.

Jibuti's other source of revenue (besides her participation in Abyssinia's trade) is the retouelling of French Messageries Maritimes liners bound for Indo-China, and any other Red Sea freighters that pop in. Indians seem to monopolise the ordinary commerce in the town. Somalis seem to do the donkey work.

But if I were French or Italian (or Somali), Jibuti is not a place I should willingly fight for. For me, anybody who wants it can have it.

From the sea, perhaps, the Dalmatian coast looks monotonous. A great line of pale mountains, spotted here and there with the faint green of pine woods, goes on for ever down the coast from Sibenik to the borders of Albania. The islands—Hvar, Korcul, Brae, Lopud—are made of the same limestone, and Dalmatia is nothing but the thin, barren-seeming strip running up from the sea to the mountain crest. It is a land, someone has wittily said, in which you can only walk sideways. But come closer, and it is transformed.

Terrace rises upon terrace of vine and olive; cypresses stand up, not in ones or twos as on the Italian Riviera, but in clumps and small woods. Every inch where soil is cultivated, and here and there streams of pure, clear water, burst out from the limestone wall and cascade down through the gardens, and work a mill or two before they are released to the sea. Dalmatia always seems silent and unpopulated by birds save for a few that slip with sharp, shy notes in and out of the grey olives, but where one of these streams falls down from the mountain, swallows collect, doves coo in the wild figs, and dippers and grey wagtails, which remind one of Cornwall, fly round the falls.

And the cities of Dalmatia—these are perfection in miniature. In the northern cities, Sibenik, Trogir, Split, there are fine things to be seen. At Split, for example, which is a lively port having cement works and a railway from Zagreb and Belgrade and Central Europe, there are the ruins of Diocletian's palace, which Robert Adam, the eighteenth-century English architect, explored in 1777 for monuments and details he was to use in building the Adelphi. Rather stumpy houses, complete with hen runs, are built high into the Roman walls. But Split and its fellows are drier, dustier, and less rich in gardens and delights than the Dalmatian cities above and below Dubrovnik, which is the Queen of them all, and the Pearl, as the travel literature says, of the Adriatic.

Dubrovnik, with a great wall surrounding it built out into the sea, is one of those rare, obstinate cities that will not yield their independence to the tourist. It accepts the tourist, grows rich by the tourist, yet preserves its own life. The tourists live outside the wall among the plane trees and palms and oleanders of the suburbs; the only visitors who share the city on equal terms with the citizens are the swiftness, which twist and scream in the sunlight above the Plaza Krailja Petra, where Francisca monks, Yugoslav officers, business men and their ladies, all the city, stroll up and down when the sun no longer glares from the limestone walls and paving.

Bata sells his smart shoes in the Plaza Krailja Petra, but time still moves slowly in Dubrovnik to the music of Verdi and Bizet, gently played in the cafes. Most of Dubrovnik was destroyed in the earthquake of 1807, but not a house seems to have come into it since. The city of the ancient republic is built throughout, battlements, palaces, churches, cloisters, shops, fountains, paving, plump boulders in the Old Harbour, of the same stone.

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The tower itself became on January 1, 1890, the property of the City of Paris. To-day it is the property of State.

The Eiffel Tower was indeed the great sensation of the World Exhibition. Some were amazed at its height, but the experts admired it for its superlative technical execution. The public flocked to see it. At the restaurants in the first (185 feet) and second (407 feet) platforms it was difficult at certain hours to find a place. Gustave Eiffel, the most popular man of the day, erected a laboratory for himself on top of the tower, where he studied aerodynamic problems.

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tor of the Panama Canal Society he was involved in the scandal that destroyed that ill-fated company.

In 1892, together with Ferdinand Lesseps and other leading officials of the Panama Society, he appeared in the dock. Although one of the best barristers of the day pleaded his case, Eiffel was sentenced to two years' imprisonment and a heavy fine was imposed on him. A re-trial before the Supreme Court finally established his complete innocence and he was liberated.

The Eiffel Tower has long since become part of the city. It has become a sign for Paris, like the Towers of Notre Dame, the dome of the Pantheon, the green roof of the Opera, and the Arc de Triomphe.

Walter Angel.

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Why Italy Will Lose In The Air

Our Pilots & Planes Are Superior

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The strength and capabilities of the Italian air force formed the subject of a short talk from Daventry to-night by Mr. Oliver Stuart.

One thing above all which must be kept in mind in trying to weigh up the air situation, he began, was the importance of not under-estimating the enemy's strength. He proposed to work on the lines that it was very great and then see what we would do about it.

The R.A.F. was already striking at the Italians at points over a great area, stretching from Eritrea to Switzerland, including Libya and Northern Italy. It was important to note that R.A.F. planes based at England had bombed military objectives at Turin.

The South African air force was also playing its part.

Free To Act

Before Italy came into the war, a large number of R.A.F. planes were immobilised by the threat of Italian intervention. They could not be used on the Western Front because at any moment they might be wanted further east.

Italy's decision to come into the war had now released them and they could now act effectively.

With what aircraft Italy will try to reply? Italy has a great variety of machines of different types, some of them very well developed indeed. But although there are some outstanding performances, the planes of the main body appear to be of an inferior technical quality to that of the Allies.

The Italians are reported to be using the Fiat biplane as one of the main fighter types. Their bombing planes seem to be chiefly Savoia-Marchetti, which are really obsolescent. They have a few very advanced planes which were built for record-breaking purposes.

Schneider Cup History

Their skill in these is acknowledged. But between record-breaking planes production and production of quantity for air force use, there is a wide gulf.

How about pilots and mechanics? He went to Venice in 1927 to see the Schneider Trophy race and was very impressed by the daring of the Italian pilots, who accepted considerable risks.

The British team acknowledged this daring. But during alone does not win races or wars. The Italians were defeated then and again at Calshot in 1929 and 1931.

Our own pilots are equal to accept risks with equal cheerfulness but behind this was a backing of sound technical training. At the same time, the Italians have had considerable war experience both in Abyssinia and Spain.

Concluding, Mr. Stuart said he spoke with great caution, as one must at the present stage, but he thought that the indications were fairly satisfactory and that in all probability the R.A.F. would be able eventually to deal satisfactorily with the Italian air force.

Canadian Defence Minister Named

OTTAWA, June 13 (Reuter).—Col. the Hon. J. L. Ralston, Canadian Minister of Finance, has been appointed as Minister of National Defence in succession to the late Mr. Norman McLeod Rogers, who was killed in an aircraft crash.

Colonel Ralston is continuing in his present position, however, until the Budget is presented next week.

Natives In South Africa To Fight

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—"Reuter" learns that the formation of regiments of native soldiers for service in South Africa is among the new measures decided by the Government of Southern Rhodesia.

Another measure is the conscription of the ages of 18 and 55. Other measures include the mobilisation of the country's woman-power.

REICH-TURKEY AGREEMENT

BERLIN, June 13 (Reuter).—The official news agency announced to-night that an agreement has been reached for an exchange of goods with Turkey to the value of 21,000,000 Turkish pounds.

It is added that the agreement will be signed within the next few days.

France Purchases 10,000 Lorries

NEW YORK, June 13 (Reuter).—It is reported that France has ordered 10,000 lorries costing between \$10,000,000 and \$20,000,000 from the General Motors Corporation and the Chrysler Corporation.

Britain is enquiring for another 10,000 lorries.

WHY ITALY WENT TO WAR

Rome, June 13.

The Duke of Aosta, Viceroy of Abyssinia, has addressed a proclamation to the population in Addis Ababa announcing that Italy had entered the war for the triumph of justice and liberty.—Reuter.

VIVID STORY OF RETREAT

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Utmost Resistance

PARIS, June 13 (Reuter).—It is understood that the French Cabinet held a meeting to-night at which they decided to continue their resistance to the utmost.

"Reuter's" special correspondent who is with the R.A.F. somewhere in France writes that driving against a human current for 50 miles he witnessed the great civilian retreat from Paris and other parts of northern France to-day.

"The endless procession continues hour after hour and all day and night," he says.

Inexhaustible Patience

"The patience of the endless crowds was inexhaustible. There was no bickering in the queues which formed 100 yards long at the petrol-pumps which are fast running dry."

"There were ready hands to push and repair stranded cars. Empty petrol tanks were somehow always refilled."

According to Reuter's correspondent the signs of "no more room" outside hotels and inns were accepted with a shrug of the shoulders. Restaurants and shops were drained of food and drink.

Few Tears

Eyes that were heavy and tired were rarely tear-stained. The children, who were almost buried amid trunks and parcels, pushed out their tiny arms giving a "thumbs up" sign. They showed their cheerful acceptance of the hardship of long travel and little food.

The old slept the sleep of pure exhaustion. Their faces, lined and stern, showed determination even in repose. Two articles were strapped to smart cars and humble carts, alike—matresses and bicycles. The one was for sleep, if no other bed was available, and the other was to continue the trek if the engine or the animal failed.

France Defiant

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, June 13 (UP).—A joint meeting of the British and French Commands and Governments was held to-day.

It has been learned from reliable quarters that Great Britain promised immediate and massive support for France.

Resistance To Continue

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOURS, June 13 (UP).—Two meetings of the Supreme War Council were held yesterday. They were followed by a meeting of the French Cabinet.

The Cabinet decided to formally declare Paris an Open City in order to save it from destruction. The Allies have agreed that even if Paris falls, resistance will continue in France with increased energy.

British Aid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 13 (UP).—Great Britain is despatching all available troops and materials to France.

MAY DEMAND CAPITULATION

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forces or break through the continuous French line.

Exhausting Effort

"The German effort must soon be spent."

"They may capture Paris but behind the former capital Wehrmacht's lines are completely intact, ready to launch the great counter-offensive as soon as Germany's effort weakens."

Meanwhile, "United Press" quotes official French communiques which state that the battle for Paris is now raging with increased violence.

West of the city, the German forces who have crossed the Seine River, are attacking south of Rouen and motorised Panzer units are now pouring over the bridgeheads at Louviers, Les Andelys and Vernon, their immediate objectives being Pacy and Evreux, on the Eure River.

A German High Command communique claims that German vanguards have entered Chalons on the Marne River. Chalons is the seat of the Marne Provincial Government and was last occupied by German forces in September, 1914.

Naval Appointment

New Superintendent Of Dockyard Police

Lieut. Cmdr. S. J. Horswell, who, since the outbreak of hostilities, has been serving on the staff of Commodore A. M. Peters, D.S.C., in Hongkong, has been appointed Superintendent of Police and Passive Defence Officer H.M. Naval Yard, Hongkong, Kowloon and attached establishments.

He will assume duties on July 1 and, incidentally, is the first officer to attain this appointment.

Lieut. Cmdr. Horswell has served the major part of his Naval career in the various Training and New Entry Establishments, and throughout the Great War served with the Grand Fleet and the Dover Patrol. Among the warships in which he has served are the Hood, Rodney and Greenwich.

A native of the West Country, Lieut. Cmdr. Horswell is the founder of the newly-formed West Country Society of Hongkong. For the past two years he has been President of the R.N. and R.M. Football Association Referees' Committee.

Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. Shanghai	360
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	85
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	22 1/2
T.T. Manila	45
T.T. Batavia	42 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	100 1/2
T.T. Saigon	100 1/2
T.T. France	10 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	90
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/4
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/L London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	24
4 m/s France	11.00
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.71

CHUNGKING RAIDS ANGER U.S.

Cordell Hull's Plain Hint To Japan

WASHINGTON, June 13 (Reuter).—If Japan desires better relations with the United States, she is travelling on the wrong road by the ruthless bombings of Chungking, it was made plain at the State Department to-day.

At a Press conference, Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, spoke with emphasis and feeling when relating his previous stand, strong condemnation and opposition to the bombing of civilians from the air, and this was followed by descriptions of the raids on Chungking in which strong emphasis was laid on their indiscriminate and ruthless nature.

Significant Silence

He said he preferred to say no more at present when asked if an embargo on machine tools and scrap metal was likely to be imposed to underline American abhorrence.

He contended himself with a statement that the embargo provision in the May Bill did not conflict with the policy of reciprocal trade treaties because the embargo provision was for the protection of strategic and defence supplies.

He thus leaves the path clear for possible action when the Bill becomes law.

Opposes "Deal"

A writer on foreign affairs of the Scripps Howard newspapers to-day strongly argued against any United States "deal" with Japan, declaring that if it suited her, she would pay no more heed to a pledge than she had paid to treaty obligations when she took Manchukuo and fortified the mandated islands.

Such a deal, he said, would be as fatal to the United States as it was to the Allies, for it would be a tip-off that a third great democracy was "on the run."

U.S. Aid For Allies

Ambassador Sees Lord Halifax

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 13 (UP).—Mr. Joseph Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador, was in conference with Lord Halifax to-day.

It is believed they discussed the question of further U.S. assistance to the Allies.

The American continues to be the source of France's greatest hopes, states a despatch from Ralph Hizen in Paris.

France's Big Hopes

The French are convinced that if the United States increases—or even maintains—the flow of materials across the Atlantic the Allies can still drive off their enemies after Hitler's first effort has been wholly spent.

The official French reaction continues to be resolutely optimistic with the general theme that "there is still plenty of room in France to fight in."

It has been announced in Washington that President Roosevelt promised full material aid to the Allies before receiving Mr. Reynaud's cabled request for American aid.

Reynaud's Last Appeal

NEW YORK, June 13 (Reuter).—"I addressed to-day a new and last appeal to President Roosevelt," declared M. Paul Reynaud, the French Premier, in a broadcast to-day.

PROHIBITION OF EXPORT

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—As a result of Italy's entry into the war, the Board of Trade has made an order whereunder the export of all classes of goods to Bulgaria, Greece, Hungary, Liechtenstein, Rumania, Switzerland, Yugoslavia and the Black Sea ports of the U.S.S.R. has been prohibited except under licence.

Ranchers' Gift To British Soldiers

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Argentine ranchers are sending a gift of beef for the use of the soldiers of England.

Already 2,000 animals have been collected.

QUEEN HELPS LORD MAYOR'S FUND



EVERY DAY the Queen plays her important part on the Home Front in the fight against the Nazis. Here she is shown attending Christies famous auction rooms in London, where articles were sold on behalf of the Lord Mayor's Fund for the Red Cross and St. John Ambulance.

MAGIC OF DALMATIA

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same limestone, to which time has given a pale linge like China tea. And with clumps of purple flowered caper (it is the unexpanded bud we use in caper sauce) growing out of the wall around his head, the patron saint of Dubrovnik still stares from his niche over the blue and silver of the Adriatic.

A learned book on Dalmatia, by the way, declares that this Sveti Vlaho (or St. Blaise) is also patron saint—guess where?—of Bradford. One can hardly doubt where Sveti Vlaho feels more at home.

South of Dubrovnik the coast grows richer still. The olive orchards and apricot trees climb higher on the mountain and even on the hottest day a small evening wind rustles down and cools the pension visitors at their dinner under the vines.

There are exquisite villages, Milni, with a giant plane tree throwing its shade on the beach, as well as the loveliest of waterfronts, "Robinsons", where a German Cruise dispenses the best wine and salami under his lonely poplars; exquisite valleys, the Zupa valley, and the Konavle valley, famous for the exquisite beauty of their women, and the exquisite charm of their embroidered costumes.

By the way, the Dalmatian coast is the birthplace of the Yugoslav sculptor Mestrovic, in which great angels carry souls in the shape of babies up to heaven.

Here, you can buy post-cards among the palms and oleanders from exiled Russian Counts, and perhaps see the young King of Yugoslavia and his brothers and his widowed mother on summer holiday from Belgrade. And then, to cap Dalmatia, comes the great bay of Kotor, winding into the mountains under Montenegro, and too beautiful by far for all the dockyards and barnets which transform much of it into a Yugoslav naval base.

From Kotor, at the head of the bay, the great military road built by the Austrians winds up the mountain into what was once Montenegro. Cetinje, the capital, has some recompense for its lost royal glories in being the administrative centre on which even Dubrovnik (to Dubrovnik's disgust) has to depend. Montenegro is a land to be seen, not to be taken out their learner's licence now have to present themselves, car and all, at Cetinje, after the fearsome passage of the halfpines. If you get there you are a good driver, and deserve your licence; if you don't.

And south of Kotor there is still the Montenegrin coast to explore, still mangrove all cities, Budva, Bar, Ugljevik, less known and a little more primitive than the cities of Dalmatia, but less good to look at, before Yugoslavia comes to an end on the less civil shore of Scutaria (otherwise but, may be, less appropriately known as Albania).

HARBOUR RESCUE

Revenue Officer H. Millington was instrumental in saving a woman, Ma Funk, 23, after she had allegedly jumped into the Harbour off the Praya on Wednesday. The woman was sent to Queen Mary Hospital.

New Barons Created

King's Birthday Announcement

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—His Majesty the King has conferred baronies upon Sir Charles Barrie, Lieut. Colonel Charles Kerr and Colonel Harry Louis Nathan.

Sir Charles Barrie, who was created a K.B.E. in 1921, is a director of the London and North Eastern Railway, Cables and Wireless, Ltd., and many other public companies. He served in an advisory capacity in the last war at the Transport Department of the Admiralty and latterly in the Ministry of Shipping. He is a member of the Supreme Economic Council, Chairman of the Disposal Board and a member of the Advisory Council to the General Post Office. He has been representing Southampton in Parliament since 1931.

Labour M.P. Honoured

Lt. Col. Charles Kerr, D.S.O., M.C., has been Comptroller of H.M. Household since 1930. He has been M.P. (Lab.) for Montrose Burghs since 1932.

Col. Harry Louis Nathan has been M.P. (Lab.) for Central Wandsworth since 1937. He is Hon. Col. of the 33rd (St. Pancras) Anti-Aircraft Battalion, R.E., T.A., Hon. Air Commodore No. 906 (County of Middlesex) Balloon Squadron, A.A.F. One of the original officers of the Territorial Force, he served with the Egyptian Expeditionary Force, Gallipoli, Egypt and France. He is the representative of the L.C.C. on the County of London Territorial Army and Auxiliary Air Force Association.

Restrictions Lifted

Frenchmen Exempted From Curfew

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Attention was drawn during question-time in the House of Commons to-day regarding the indignation among Frenchmen in Britain who were recently subjected to the recently issued restrictions which applied to aliens.

Sir John Anderson said that orders had now been issued exempting Frenchmen from the curfew and the use of bicycles, motor-cars, cameras, and field-glasses. These new orders also exempted them from residence in restricted areas.

Immediate consideration was also being given to the position of Frenchmen in relation to the Civil Defence Services, from which aliens are excluded.

REPATRIATION FROM ITALY

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State, said that ample facilities were being arranged for the return of British nationals from Italy to Britain and her Dominions, Colonies and protectorates.

He added that financial assistance will be provided where necessary.



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AUSTRALIANS' BEST PERFORMANCES

Far View Collects \$7,323: Ajax Pays Highest Dividend: Brutus Upsets The Daily Double

THERE WAS NO DOUBT that the Australian ponies of this season together with the old creatures played a very important role at the February meeting of five days of racing, because out of an aggregate of 52 events they took part in no less than 21. However, after the Annual Carnival the creation of a "D" class (a new division) for Australian ponies was another trump card of the Stewards, and the problem of spotting the winners at the extra meetings had been rather expensive to the punters.

Apart from the fact that the Australian ponies provided the best events, the highest dividend during the first half was \$281.20 paid by Ajax (Australian sub-griffin of 1939 class) for a win, and the jockey, Mr. S. C. Liang, received the ladies purse for his hard riding. Of course there was another high spot. Brutus the Australian pony, was responsible for the second leg of the daily double at the Whitson meeting when Mr. Treverton's 'chaser bracketed with Smashing Through (the winner of first leg) paid \$1,905 to the delight of four astute mathematicians.

When the Stewards first invited members of the Hongkong Jockey Club to subscribe for Australian ponies, the "R.S.V.P." could be counted on one's fingers and the first batch to race here was not more than 20 subscription ponies.

It is interesting to recall that the first Australian event was run on February 28, 1931, when Woodland Stag piloted by Mr. Quincey won the Sydney Maiden over six furlongs, in one minute 25 seconds, and the winner was owned by the late Mr. Chan Tien-sion.

In the following year the subscription list closed with an order for 52 ponies, but for 1933's annual meeting the consignment from the Antipodes dwindled down to almost half, the exact amount being 25 youngsters. Since then the breeders showed a steady increase. Although the shipment was limited to 60 ponies, the dealers delivered one extra for this year's racing and it may be of interest to know that we will have over 100 for 1941.

THERE was plenty of material in this year's bunch and an interesting aspect of the running of these youngsters was the outstanding performances of Far View and Sapper, both being the descendants of Farr. The former, a mare, went down twice on the post to Sapper, while the latter, a gelding, received two beatings from his sister.

In shape and move, Far View and Sapper are not alike, and the Freemantle St. Leger to be run in November will tell us all about it. Far View is a year younger than Sapper and both of them have plenty room to improve. Far View

has earned a total sum of \$7,323 with the inclusion of the Rooty-Hill Derby and the Champions against \$3,821 won by Sapper.

BY Graculus, the three off-springs, namely, Amicus Curiae (earning \$1,810), Income Tax (\$900) and Maple Star (\$500), have done exceptionally well.

It was a creditable performance of Amicus Curiae, annexing the Brisbane Spring Handicap, which distance was lengthened from 1 1/4 miles to two miles, and the brown gelding certainly showed that he had staying powers.

This was the first occasion for Australian ponies to run over a distance of two miles and, as Amicus Curiae was carrying weight for inches as per scale, the time of 3.38 1/2 has been accepted as a record.

Much was expected of the winner at the annual big meeting, but the pony, in my opinion, was over-galloped during the early mornings, and had only one win.

Sired by Civilian, I have reason to believe that Ascot Day is a good miler, while Rowan is a stayer. The latter was on the sick list during the Annual Carnival, and Rowan's first appearance was at the Easter session when she was third, finishing behind Many Thanks and Lucky Lad in the Roschill Stakes.

Many Thanks, the winner, was disqualified for boring, and under the circumstances, Rowan got the second prize.

However, the mare came on nicely in subsequent outings and Rowan will, I am sure, be a different pony at the resumption.

Ascot Day picked up \$1,900 while Rowan gained \$1,200, the total sum being \$3,100, and after all Civilian was not a bad sire.

CARAVIS has been represented by winners of stakes amounting \$3,150, and the best three were Albury (\$1,250), Sparrow (\$1,300) and Shuttlecock (\$600).

They were not the topnotchers, but one must admit that Caravis' offsprings are worth having. The other two were not much good. Albury slipped at the turn in the first section of the Perth Plate, and the chestnut was immediately destroyed on the track. Comedy Star had four outings without collecting a cent.

I WAS very much disappointed with the running of the new stock by Double Court, which was represented by Contact, Finalist, Melody Star, Venus Bay and Winnie. Although Contact and Melody Star collected \$1,400 each, they did not seem to possess the same blood of the elder ones such as Centre Court. In fairness to the sire, I must admit that the five juveniles by Double Court were very young, and that might account for the failure of Contact, Venus Bay and Winnie, all of whom had a blank card.

LUCKY Lady by Excitement appeared three times before the official starter, but the mare made a collection of \$1,550.

It would be criminal to suggest that she was a bag of bones at the Spring meeting, but Lucky Lady was certainly lacking in substance, and that might be the reason for giving her only three outings.

Of the little I have seen, my frank opinion is that Lucky Lady has got the make, shape and pedigree of a St. Leger winner.

AMONG the best of old ponies, Baffin Bay, Courting Eve, Devonian, Lancashire Chips and Lucky Lad and a few of the "B" class were in the limelight at the big meeting, but they seemed to be all at sea when they met the youngsters of this season.

COTTAGE CLUB RIDE

The Cottage Club ride on Saturday, June 15, will start from Lok Ma Chau at 5 p.m. Transport will be provided from the Clubhouse at 4.30 p.m., and ponies will be drawn for us usual.

DIVISION OF THE STAKES

Far View Wins One-Tenth Of The Total

HEREWITH is a complete list of Australian ponies started during the first half, showing at the same time the amount of stakes won, some being without a cent.

A Good Time	\$ 300
A Great Time	300
A Green Time	1,250
Albury	1,250
Alber (shot)	—
Amber II	600
Amicus Curiae	1,810
Annabella	400
A Roaring Time	1,050
Ascot Day	1,900
Australian Diamond	1,050
Australian Prince	900
Baffin Bay	2,400
Blandford (shot)	—
Bredon	600
Brown Derby	1,100
Bruno	600
Brutus	1,350
Buxlylone	250
Calmsmore	—
Caltrout	—
Canterbury Bridge	300
Centre Court	600
Cheerful Star	—
Chiltern	250
Circe	—
Cockleford	—
Colorado Star	—
Comedy Star	—
Comble	1,300
Contact	1,400
Courting Eve	1,350
Criffel	300
Derby Day	1,000
Devonian	950
Dick Turpin	375
Discovery Bay	450
Double Finesse	200
Fair Chance	1,200
Far View	7,323
Finalist	—
Flying Dutchman	1,200
Forehand Drive	—
Franklin	1,200
Grand Alligator	—
Happy Landings	1,200
Heine	300
Income Tax	900
Jungle Princess	—
Kitti	—
Lancashire Chips	1,350
Lovely Kid	1,200
Lucky Lad	1,550
Lucky Lady	1,550
Macquarie River	—
Many Thanks	1,200
Maple Star	500
Melody Star	1,400
Murray River	—
Murrumbidgee	1,350
Nancy Lee	—
National Victory	—
Perfect Day	—
Perola d'Orionie	425
Piccadilly Jim	900
Pocoon	—
Powerful Kid	—
Princess Bridge	—
Princess Chiro	450
Punch	—
Pumpkinhead	700
Quick Despatch	—
Radon	—
Rising Star	—
Roofly	500
Rowan	1,200
Ruby Star	1,050
Sapper	3,821
Schmetterling	—
Sea Jay	1,250
Sea Urchin	200
Shine Again	—
Shuttlecock	600
Snowy River	—
Sparrow	1,300
Springhurst	600
Spring Shine	1,000
Truthheart	—
Surprise Again	—
Sydney Lad	1,550
Tarzan	550
Teviotdale	—
Tornado Star	850
Triumph Day	200
Twilight Star	1,450
Vanity Fair	1,350
Venus Bay	—
Violet Queen	1,250
Vixen Tor	700
Warrego River	500
Winfred	—
Winnie	—
Zodiac	—
Total	\$70,204

Second Athletic Meet

KASHIWARA, June 13 (Dome).—Close on the heels of the recently completed athletic meet in Tokyo, another East Asia athletic meet was declared open to-day at the newly-built Stadium, in the Outer Gardens of the Kashiwara Shrine, sacred to Emperor Jimmu, founder of Japan. At 9.30 a.m. to-day about 700 athletes from the Philippines, China, Manchuria and Japan gathered at the Stadium and after paying homage at the Kashiwara Shrine, assembled in the Kenko Hall.

In an opening ceremony at 1 p.m., presided over by Dr. Hiroshi Shimomura, Vice-President of the Meet, Masao Harada, the noted Japanese broad-jumper, took the oath on behalf of all the participants.

Commencing with ping-pong games between Japan, Manchukuo and China at 2.30 p.m. in the Kenko Hall, the meet will continue for four days.

SURPRISING RESULTS IN HANDICAP EVENTS

THERE HAS ALWAYS been a small band of disgruntled owners, who never seemed to be satisfied with the allotment of weights. Perusing the results of the handicap events during the first half I found to my amazement that those ponies carrying weight for inches as per scale and over had more successes than those that were "let in"—so to speak.

The proportion was 19 events against 15 and it would be advisable to make a note of the weight carriers for future meetings. Hereunder is a list:

Weight for Inches and Over

Pony	Jockey	Height	Weight	Won by
Bendigo H'cap	P. Wei	14.2	155	4 lengths
Coral H'cap	Hearne	14.3	160	Short head
Kara Kara H'cap	Black	14.3	168	5 lengths
Killara H'cap	Hearne	14.3	165	A neck
Benarba H'cap	Hearne	14.2	154	2 lengths
Moone Ponds H'cap	P. Wei	14.3	160	2 do
Albury H'cap	Davis	14.3	160	a length
Sydney Handicap	Poy	14.2	152	2 lengths
Cobramatta H'cap	Treverton	14.3	160	1/2 do
Brisbane Spring H'cap	B. L. Tao	14.3	155	Short head
Hobart Handicap	L. B. Chao	14.3	155	4 lengths
Broken Hill H'cap	Davis	14.3	155	2 do
Konla Handicap	Nedda	14.3	155	4 do
Canterbury Park H'cap	Proulx	14.3	152	3 do
Warwick Farm H'cap	Black	14.3	153	1 do
Whitson Handicap	S. L. Sung	14.3	155	5 do
Bond Handicap	Proulx	14.2	150	2 do
Killara Handicap	Poy	14.3	160	1/2 do
Moreton Bay H'cap	Piccadilly Jim	14.3	160	1/2 do

Under Weight for Inches as per Scale

Pony	Jockey	Height	Weight	Won by
Wakool Handicap	Ruby Star	14.3	136	Short head
Canbelego Handicap	Murrumbidgee	14.3	136	Many lengths
Ladies Purse	Ajax	14.2	150	Short head
Adelaide H'cap	Courting Eve	14.3	147	2 lengths
Moone Ponds H'cap	Devonian	14.3	150	3 do
Calliope Handicap	Murrumbidgee	14.3	150	2 do
St. Kilda	Shuttlecock	14.2	146	1 1/2 do
Charters Towers H'cap	Happy Landings	14.2	150	Short head
Spencer Handicap	Amber II	14.2	149	Short head
Sharks Bay H'cap	Courting Eve	14.3	152	2 1/2 lengths
Manly Handicap	H. M. Botelho	14.3	145	A neck
Carpenters H'cap	Black	14.2	142	2 lengths
Hervey Bay H'cap	Wei	14.2	145	1 do
Wallsend H'cap	T. W. Chattey	14.3	151	1/2 do
Great Dight H'cap	Hearne	14.3	145	Short head

Lawn Bowls Teams For The Week-end

The following teams have been chosen by various Clubs for Lawn Bowls League matches this week-end:

CLUB DE RECREO
"A" v. Kowloon Decks (home).
L. F. Xavier, F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and H. A. Alves.
L. J. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. V. Ribeiro and F. X. Silva.
J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, P. V. J. A. Luz, C. C. G. Silva.

"B" v. Kowloon C.C. (away).
C. C. Pereira, D. C. Alves, A. P. Guterres and B. Basto.
F. A. Machado, C. H. Basto, C. Roza Pereira and J. J. Basto.
A. P. Pereira, C. Lopes, J. C. Remedios and J. Noronha.
2nd v. Kowloon F.C. (away).
M. F. Alarcon, A. F. Noronha, A. M. Rodrigues and O. P. Remedios.
P. M. N. Silva, J. A. Remedios, C. M. S. Alves and F. Yvanovich.
F. A. Xavier, H. R. Pinn, E. M. Remedios and E. Souza.
INDIAN R.C.

1st Division v. Police (home).
J. Hoosen, A. K. Sufiad, A. R. Minu and A. K. Minu.
A. H. Rumjahn, S. Yusuf, M. Y. Adul and A. R. Dallah.
D. M. Khan, A. M. Rumjahn, A. O. Madar and M. R. Abbas.

3rd Division v. Prison Officers (away).
A. S. Sufiad, S. A. R. Bux, A. H. Madar and A. M. Wahab.
M. Hassan, A. G. Sufiad, K. M. Rumjahn and A. Bakur.
M. H. Hassan, J. M. A. Rumjahn, U. A. Rumjahn and S. M. Rumjahn.

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.
1st team v. Craigengower (home).
J. Gellatly, J. W. Deakin, L. A. Collyer and J. F. McGowan.
M. E. Parvis, W. J. Burling, M. N. Bakus and H. F. Strange.
E. W. C. Simmonds, J. Hollidge, A. W. Grimmit and F. J. Jones.

2nd Team v. Kowloon B.G.C. (away).
J. R. Carr, H. Parrott, A. Steven and S. Eccleshill.
C. J. Walker, E. Kirmon, A. B. Allan and W. R. Hillier.
P. W. Crawley, H. Lord, H. F. Harper and C. Strange.
HONGKONG ELECTRIC R.C.
v. Craigengower C.C. (home).
A. G. Gardner, W. E. Macfarlane, H. S. McKay and A. F. Paul.
A. P. Turbuck, C. E. Gingham, S. Denon and J. K. Sloan.
R. A. Owens, W. E. Baker, G. T. Padgett and G. G. S. Thomson.

Kuo and Japan gathered at the Stadium and after paying homage at the Kashiwara Shrine, assembled in the Kenko Hall.

Indians Win Only Game Scheduled

NEW YORK, June 13 (UP).—In the only game scheduled in both the National and American Baseball Leagues, the Cleveland Indians nosed out the Detroit Tigers 3-2 in a ten-innings tie to-day.

The scores were:
Detroit..... 2 13 2
Cleveland..... 3 10 1
Battery: Rowe, Trout, Tebbets.
Pitching: Smith, Hensley.
(Ten innings were played).

Fanling Golf Starting Times

OLD COURSE
9.10 A. C. I. Bowker, A. K. Mackenzie.
9.20 A. D. Humphreys, E. H. Burt.
9.30 A. N. & Q. A. A. Macfarlane.
9.40 J. L. C. Pearce, E. T. McMillen.
9.50 G. C. Worrall, K. S. Morrison.
10.00 A. A. D. Morrison, I. H. Geare.
10.10 A. M. Kennedy, M. G. Carruthers.
10.20 P. E. Annis, H. M. Howland.

Godiva Wins Oaks Substitute

LONDON, June 13 (Reuters).—The substitute Oaks, run at Newmarket to-day, resulted.

Godiva (Marks)..... 1
Silver Lace (G. Richards)..... 2
Valeriano (Weston)..... 3
Betting: 7-4 Godiva, 100-8 Silver Lace, 20-1 Valeriano.
Fourteen ran. Godiva won by three lengths, and four lengths separated Silver Lace and Valeriano. Others: Chambrella (C. E. Smith), Dame Detrelle (Harry Wages), Golden Penny (Bony), Joan Drake (S. Smith), Manna Wind (Herbert), Nilt de Noce (Dowry), Olan (Lane), Queen of Shiraz (Smirke), Self Portrait (Nevel), Holleheim (Perryman), Drawing Prize (Cliff Richards).

10.00 D. Humphreys, P. M. Cotton.
10.12 R. J. K. Walker, M. Pollock.
NEW COURSE
9.20 R. L. S. Webb, A. Bremner.
10.10 Major Mackenzie, Col. Shackleton.

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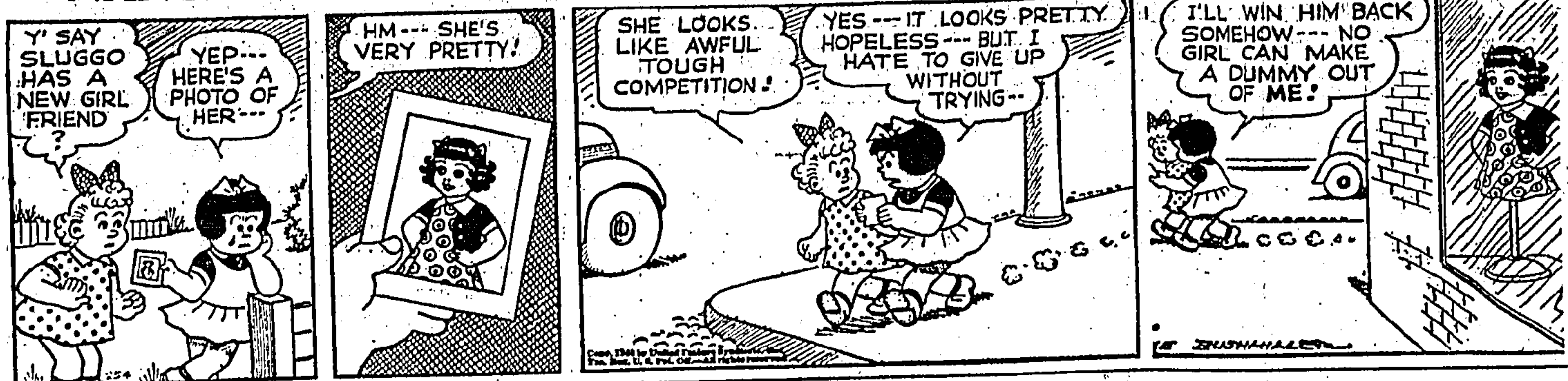
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NANCY



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Italians' Air Attack On Nairobi

ASMARA AND GURA BOMBED BY R.A.F.

CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. yesterday continued their attacks on Italian East Africa, bombing Asmara and Gura.

Direct hits destroyed hangars and buildings. All the aircraft returned.

One enemy fighter was shot down, two more are believed destroyed and a fourth damaged.

Blenheim bombers also raided Direkawa Aerodrome in Abyssinia, scoring direct hits on munition dumps and hangars.

The blaze from a munition dump was visible 30 miles away.

Macaca Also Raided

A further raid was made on Macaca, near Asaba. A fuel dump was set on fire and barracks were extensively damaged.

After three days of continual hammering of Italian military objectives in Libya and Italian East Africa, the R.A.F. have demonstrated that their bombers make straight for their objectives, and they have also shot down many Italian fighters.

Air Raids In Africa

NAIROBI, June 13 (Reuter).—A communiqué announced that British Moyale was twice raided by enemy aircraft yesterday.

One African tank was slightly wounded.

No damage was done.

Active Reconnaissance

The communiqué continued: "In the rest of the northern frontier district and in the coastal zone our machines were active on reconnaissance during Wednesday."

"Wajir was bombed at 6.30 this morning by three high-flying aircraft. Details of the damage are not yet reported, but the damage is considered to be slight."

"Two R.A.F. personnel were slightly wounded and one machine damaged."

"No penetration of Kenya territory has yet occurred from the ground, and all, it is reported, was quiet on the front this morning."

Italian Ships Take Refuge

MADRID, June 13 (Reuter).—A number of Italian merchantmen continued to take refuge in Spanish ports. The official Spanish news agency reports that a French flying boat has arrived at Valencia where the authorities are questioning the crew.

Egypt's Defensive Policy

CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—Egypt's present policy regarding Italy is purely defensive.

However, it is pointed out here that, fully respecting the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, she places herself at the passive disposal of Britain to the extent of co-operation in matters of security and the providing of air, naval and military bases.

These must naturally be considered military objectives and will be liable to Italian attack.

But if Italy attacks other Egyptian territory or bombs fall on purely Egyptian aerodromes, ports or towns or on civilians, Egypt will be forced to declare war.

Vatican Paper Ceases

ROME, June 13 (Reuter).—The official Stefani Agency denies that the Vatican newspaper, the Osservatore Romano, has suspended publication, and says that the paper appeared as usual this afternoon.

Frontier Skirmish

CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—During a skirmish with Italians on the Egyptian-Libyan border, British troops captured two officers, 60 men and three machine-guns.

There were no British casualties.

Ban Lifted

WASHINGTON, June 13 (Reuter).—A Vatican City message states that the ban imposed by the Italian Government on the "Osservatore Romano" was lifted this afternoon after the newspaper had agreed to omit war news of every kind.

Earlier, the authorities had stated that the paper could not circulate if it continued to publish British, French as well as Italian communiqués.

ROOSEVELT'S RESPONSE

WASHINGTON, June 13 (Reuter).—It was stated at the White House that President Roosevelt's speech given at Charlottesville on June 10 is considered a complete answer to M. Paul Reynaud's request for assistance by the United States.

It is added that M. Reynaud's cable was not delivered until after President Roosevelt's return from Charlottesville. It was only by a coincidence that the President's speech was so completely to the point.

No Bells For Church-Goers

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The use of church bells for any purpose except giving warning of parachutists or other air-borne troops is prohibited.

Church and chapel bells may only be rung by the military or local defence volunteers.

TURKEY'S POSITION

Clarification In A Few Days Time

ANKARA, June 13 (Reuter).—It is generally believed that Turkey's position, in view of the situation created by Italy's entry into the war will be clarified shortly.

An official statement, probably by the Prime Minister, is expected tomorrow.

To-day has been occupied by consideration of all implications of any step by Turkey. The Cabinet met twice.

A meeting of the People's Party is likely to follow.

Diplomatic Activity

The British and French Ambassadors have been in contact with Turkish officials again to-day, while intense activity was observed among the Italian and German diplomats here.

In the meantime, Turkish peasants who are among the men called up under the latest order are leaving their homes to join their units.

Horse and vehicles have been commandeered where necessary.

This activity, however, does not necessarily indicate an immediate declaration of war, but is a sign that Turkey is taking both her defences and her obligations extremely seriously.

Workers Give Up Holidays

Magnificent Response By British Labour

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. Ascheton, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, reported that there has been a magnificent response to the Government request for a general postponement or cancellation of the holidays during the crisis.

This has been requested so that there will be no interference in the production of munitions.

It will also leave transport as free as possible for evacuation and civil defence needs.

Must Not Slacken

Mr. Ascheton further declared that the production of munitions has been greatly accelerated.

"But we must beware," he added, "of any slackening. As far as is humanly possible we must continue for some time to come at the same high pressure."

Nevertheless arrangements would be made to provide rest periods.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR FRANCE

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The Archbishop of Canterbury asks that next Sunday be observed in all churches in Britain as a day of prayer for France.

NON STOP RAIDS

Fires Rage In Towns Over Wide Belt

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—"Reuters" special correspondent with the R.A.F. somewhere in France telegraphs:

Almost non-stop raiding has been carried out by this week R.A.F. bombers operating in close liaison with bombers from England and the French Air Force.

Bridges across the Seine, vital to the enemy's plan of encirclement of Paris, have been the chief objectives.

Fires have been raging in towns over a wide belt from the incessant aerial bombardment, which, started by the Germans bombing everything in the path of the advancing enemy, have been continued by Allied aircraft as the Germans pushed forward to occupy the bomb-ruined land.

So incessant have been the attacks that the squadrons engaged had barely time to file reports of results obtained before the tanks were refuelled and the deadly bomb racks reloaded before taking off again.

New fighters flown out overnight to strategic bases at once had taken their place with the older ones on the Western Front.

Odds Of 10 To 1

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—An R.A.F. patrol of seven Hurricanes attacked 80 German planes over the battle-field in front of Paris to-day.

They shot down five planes.

This battle is particularly noteworthy because the pilots are all from the Auxiliary Air Force which is composed of businessmen who fly for fun during the week-end in peace time.

According to one pilot, however, they are used to heavy odds.

"Even these odds are ten to one," he said, "they just wade in."

All Bridges Destroyed

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—It is reported that all bridges over the Seine in a 60 mile line from Rouen to Mantes have now been destroyed by Allied bombers.

The enemy mechanised units are trying to build pontoon bridges but are being continuously attacked by our planes.

Weather Conditions

PARIS, June 13 (Reuter).—A French air communiqué issued to-day states that owing to unfavourable weather conditions the activity of the French Air Force has considerably lessened during the past 24 hours.

Squadrons of light bombers attacked German positions, concentrations and lines of communication with bombs and machine-gun fire.

Dropped 1,000 Bombs

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the first of yesterday's air raids on German communications, medium bombers dropped nearly 1,000 incendiary and many high explosive bombs on the woods at La Mare, where strong forces of enemy infantry and supplies were concentrated.

Large fires were still burning fiercely when further raiders arrived to bomb the same target later.

At Salisaut, a bomb fell on an ammunition train, causing such a terrific explosion that over half a mile above, the wind-blown of an aircraft was torn off.

SECRET SESSION ON JUNE 20

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The secret session to debate Home Defence, which was postponed on Tuesday, will now be held on June 20, stated Mr. C. R. Attlee, the Lord Privy Seal.

The debate might be wider in scope than Home Defence, according to circumstances.

There will also be a secret session of the House of Lords on June 20 on Home Defence.

CHUNGKING'S WORST RAID

CHUNGKING, June 13 (Reuter).—Thousands of people are fleeing after the heaviest Japanese air raid ever suffered by China's war-time capital.

Street after street is demolished systematically by waves of aircraft. Over 800 bombs were dropped.

WASHINGTON, June 13 (Reuter).—Commenting on the bombing of Chungking at a Press conference, Mr. Cordell Hull said, "We wholeheartedly condemn such practices wherever and whenever they occur."

BUSY DAY FOR R.A.F.

Great Activity On Many Fronts

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that British aircraft sank an enemy motor torpedo boat in Boulogne and damaged two others.

R.A.F. bombers attacked the Italian base at Assab on the Red Sea and destroyed a power-house, petrol dump and barracks.

Ethiopian Town Attacked

Diredawa in Ethiopia was also attacked and an ammunition dump was blown up.

In the course of yesterday's intense bombing attacks on enemy concentrations in the area east of Rouen, three enemy bombers were shot down. Three British aircraft are missing.

During the night R.A.F. bombers attacked enemy lines of communications from the coast to the forest of Ardennes, damaging railways and road junctions.

Ammunition dumps were blown up and fires were started.

Over the French battle zone, British fighters shot down seven enemy aircraft. None of our fighters is missing.

The aerodrome at Vaernes near Trondheim and enemy supply ships in a port near Bergen were severely attacked.

Malta Is Not Evacuated

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—It is learned here that some misconception has followed the announcement of the arrival in the United Kingdom of the women and children from Malta.

It has been reported for example that there are no women left in Malta.

It is officially stated that these reports are without foundation.

The wives and families of the naval and military personnel, who are not themselves resident in Malta, have been sent to this country.

But there has been no general evacuation of women and children whether English or Maltese from the Colony. No such evacuation is contemplated.

700 Italians Leave Great Britain

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The first train-load of 700 Italians to leave Great Britain left London to-night for Glasgow, where they will embark for Lisbon.

Port Said Arrests

PORT SAID, June 13 (Reuter).—A further 100 Italians have been arrested here.

This brings the total up to 300.

The Italian Minister has been given his passport. He will leave by the first available ship.

Square Formation To Protect All Sides

Old Defence Technique As Answer to Germans

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Swift moving tanks and parachute jumpers have brought back the old British "square" into modern warfare, writes an "eye-witness" with the British Army in France.

The troops, he says, must be prepared for an attack from the front, rear and flanks when holding a position.

A certain battalion defending an important city and bridge-head have just used this formation with great success.

They held the attack by German tanks and infantry for several hours. At the same time they destroyed six tanks, one light field gun, one aeroplane and eight parachute jumpers with very few losses on the British side.

Officer's Description

A British officer who participated in the "eye-witness" that the battalion occupied positions on the important cross-roads with five anti-tank guns, facing the line of the German advance.

Simultaneously, they posted other men all round to cover the flanks and rear.

"We soon discovered," said the officer, "that this was a wise precaution."

"After waiting for several hours the attack suddenly burst upon us."

Evacuation Precaution

Necessity Emphasised In The Commons

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Minister of Health, in the course of the debate on evacuation, said there were two quite different reasons for which evacuation of a large part of the population of an area might take place.

Firstly an area might become an area of actual military operations in which our forces are engaged against the enemy. Should that take place, any persons still left after the evacuation would be in a very dangerous situation by remaining where they were not crowding the roads as refugees.

Secondly large industrial areas are likely to be targets for enemy attacks from the air. These places have their defences but there will be greater safety in dispersal.

Opposed To Compensation

With regard to general evacuation from the evacuation areas, the Government was against compensation.

Firstly, the Government could not give a guarantee that evacuees would be safe. Secondly, scores of thousands of parents would refuse to be separated from their children in this time of anxiety.

Any attempt at compensation would mean that thousands of Police would be taking parents to prison. There were limits to which the Government could go and they would have to abide by the voluntary principle.

Dominions Offer

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Miss Florence Horsburgh, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Health, replying to the debate on evacuation, said they had now the chance of areas not confined to this country—the Dominions and the United States.

They had been considering how best they could reply to these generous offers.

It had been suggested that if children were sent to the United States, it would only be those whose parents could afford to send them beyond these islands who would go.

"In a very few days," Miss Horsburgh said, "it may be made clear to those who wish their children to go beyond these islands, that they will be given the opportunity, and that it will not be only those who can afford to send their children who will be the only ones to send them."

Counter-Attack By Chinese

CHUNGKING, June 13 (Reuter).—A Chinese military spokesman states that the Chinese have launched a heavy counter-attack north-east of Ichang and are attempting to seize a crossing on the Han River to cut the Japanese retreat.

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Buenos Aires Police Arrest 43 People

BUENOS AIRES, June 13 (Reuter).—It is now learned that 43 people have been arrested in connection with an explosion on board the British ship Gascoyne.

The explosion took place here on Wednesday.

One man was killed and four were injured.

The ship was set on fire by the explosion.

The explosion is believed to have been caused by time bombs.

The Gascoyne, of 4,700 tons, was loading a cargo of canned beef. The explosion occurred when a sling was being lowered into the hold.

MURDER CHARGE WITHDRAWN

Charges of murder and robbery against Cheung Choi-on, waste-food dealer, of 181 Connaught Road West, were withdrawn to-day at the Southern District Court.

Cheung Wah-sing, 29, fisherman, and Cheung Shi-shun, 23, junk-master, both of Cheung Choi-on, were remanded on charges of murder.

They were alleged to have robbed Fung Lan-lee of \$39 and murdered a woman, Fung Tai-mui, on board a boat at Cheung Chau on June 6.

Inspector L. R. Whant appeared for the prosecution, Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho for the defendants.

CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—The United States will look after Egyptian interests in Italy, Switzerland will look after Italian interests in Egypt.

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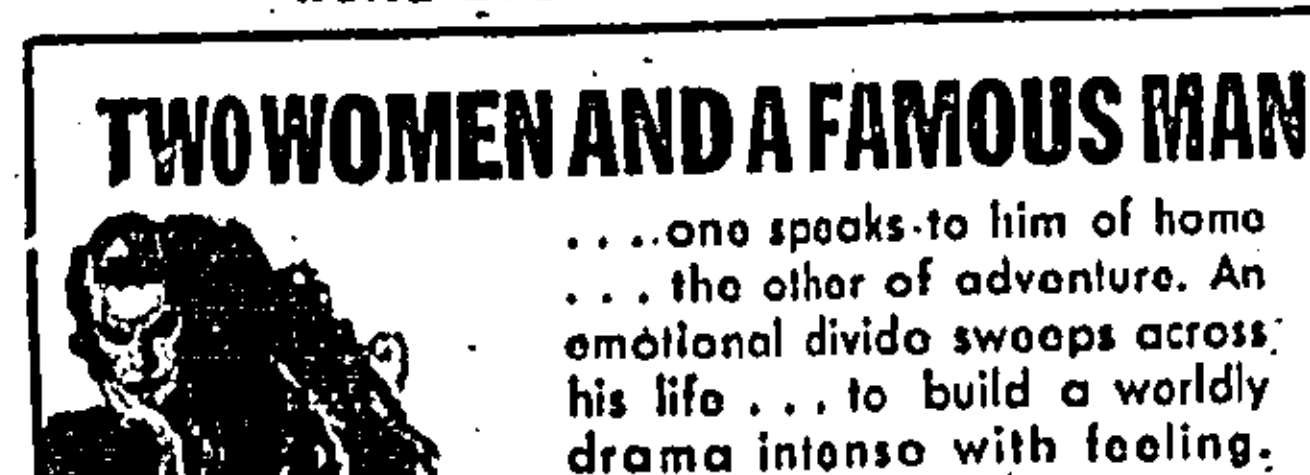


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Yard Collects Fifth Column Evidence

SCOTLAND YARD HAS COLLECTED A MASS OF EVIDENCE ABOUT BRITAIN'S FIFTH COLUMN. IT HAS BEEN GIVEN TO SIR JOHN ANDERSON, THE HOME SECRETARY, WHO HAS INTRODUCED EMERGENCY REGULATIONS TO DEAL WITH IT.

The evidence has been collected by special branch men who have been working ceaselessly for weeks past.

Every word spoken at the May Day rally of the Communist Party in Hyde Park was noted. Sixteen Special Branch shorthand writers were present.

German Contributes To British War Effort

LONDON.—A German refugee who fled to England with his family has sent a cheque for £100 to Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, "as an expression of deep gratitude for the hospitality given to my family and to myself in a moment of great distress."

It is only one of many surprise gifts which Sir John Simon has received from all parts of the world to help Britain's war effort.

Woman In The House Had M.P.s. Guessing

CONSIDERABLE surprise was caused at question time in the House of Commons recently when a dark-haired young woman, who had never been seen there before, walked into the chamber and calmly stood among M.P.s, looking round with interest at them.

The M.P.s—scratched their heads thoughtfully and asked if she could have got there by accident or an oversight.

The answer was that she had a perfect right to be present. She was Miss Kathleen Midwinter, of Torquay, the newest member of the staff of committee clerks, and therefore permitted to enter the chamber.

But officials with nearly 40 years' experience of the House say that a woman has never before held such an appointment and that Miss Midwinter is the only woman who has walked in as she did.

FIRE VICTIM DIES

Tragic Sequel to Jordan Road Blaze

Of the six persons sent to the Kowloon Hospital on Wednesday evening suffering from burns received when the ground floor of 34 Jordan Road caught fire, one of them, Sit Hong, 20, succumbed to his injuries at 5.30 a.m. yesterday. Two women and three other men are still in the

Every London policeman on night duty has been warned to look out for people who write slogans on buildings and walls during the black-out.

It is understood that the new regulations to be introduced by the Home Secretary will strengthen the existing defence laws and provide for the prosecution of the arrested offender and also the organisation behind him.

In addition to legal moves against the Fifth Column, the Trade Union Congress has discussed disruptive activities by Communists in certain Trades Councils and taken steps to defeat this menace.

M.P.s are also getting anxious.

Miserable Mission
Lord Queenborough, President of the Royal Society of St. George, condemns the Fifth Columnists in a monthly message.

"At home we must counteract the shameful activities of the 'Croakers,' the 'Pacifists' and the various agencies of treachery and sedition who are seeking to perform in our own country the same miserable mission which the Fifth Column of treason and betrayal has carried out in other countries which have fallen a victim to Germany's campaign of terrorism and domination," he says. "A large share of the guilt for this war lies on the shoulders of those misguided and, in some cases, deliberately ill-intentioned persons, who have for years past sought to undermine the native patriotism of our people."

Danger
"Such bodies as the Communist Party, the Peace Pledge Union, the British Union of Fascists, and the various 'Councils' for 'Christian' or 'Democratic' Settlement, whose poisonous literature is now freely disseminated in our midst, should, in the interests of the Allied cause, be dispersed and rendered powerless to carry on their obnoxious and dangerous activities."

"Large numbers of the refugees from Germany, Austria, and Czechoslovakia were men of strong left-wing and almost Communist sympathies; we cannot rely on their loyalty to the country which has given them shelter."

"In addition, it is well-known that the Gestapo has planted its agents among the refugees, and that many self-styled exiles were and are, in fact, the paid secret agents of the Nazi power."

"All aliens whose antecedents and character are not beyond the slightest shadow of suspicion should be put under restraint or, made subject to severe restrictions."

Hospital.
Extensive damage was done to the premises, a tailor's establishment, and it was only through the efficient action of the Fire Brigade Department that the blaze was checked before spreading to the upper floors. Under Inspector Wright of the Yau-mat Police Station, Police patrols also did good work.

To-day's Strangest Story

Two Sailors

Same Names, Same Ship, Same Age, Same Town

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Joined the Navy at the same time; Have fathers named Frederick Raven; Are aged 19; and Hold similar opinions on the Graf Spee battle: "We would not have missed it for anything."

Not Related
They both live at Great Yarmouth, but the families are not related. One, a telegraphist, is home on leave now; the other, an able-seaman, is looking forward to his leave. To avoid complications when the mail from home reaches the ship, Frederick No. 1 looks to see if the letter has been addressed by his mother; if not he hands it to Frederick No. 2.

LATE NEWS

(Continued from Page 1.)

WHEN THEY REFUSED TO SURRENDER.
THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT ADMITS THE RECEIPT OF THE REPORT THROUGH THE UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR THAT PARIS HAS BECOME AN OPEN AND UNDEFENDED CITY, BUT REFUSES TO STATE WHETHER THE GERMAN HIGH COMMAND WILL ACCEPT THIS FRENCH NOTIFICATION.

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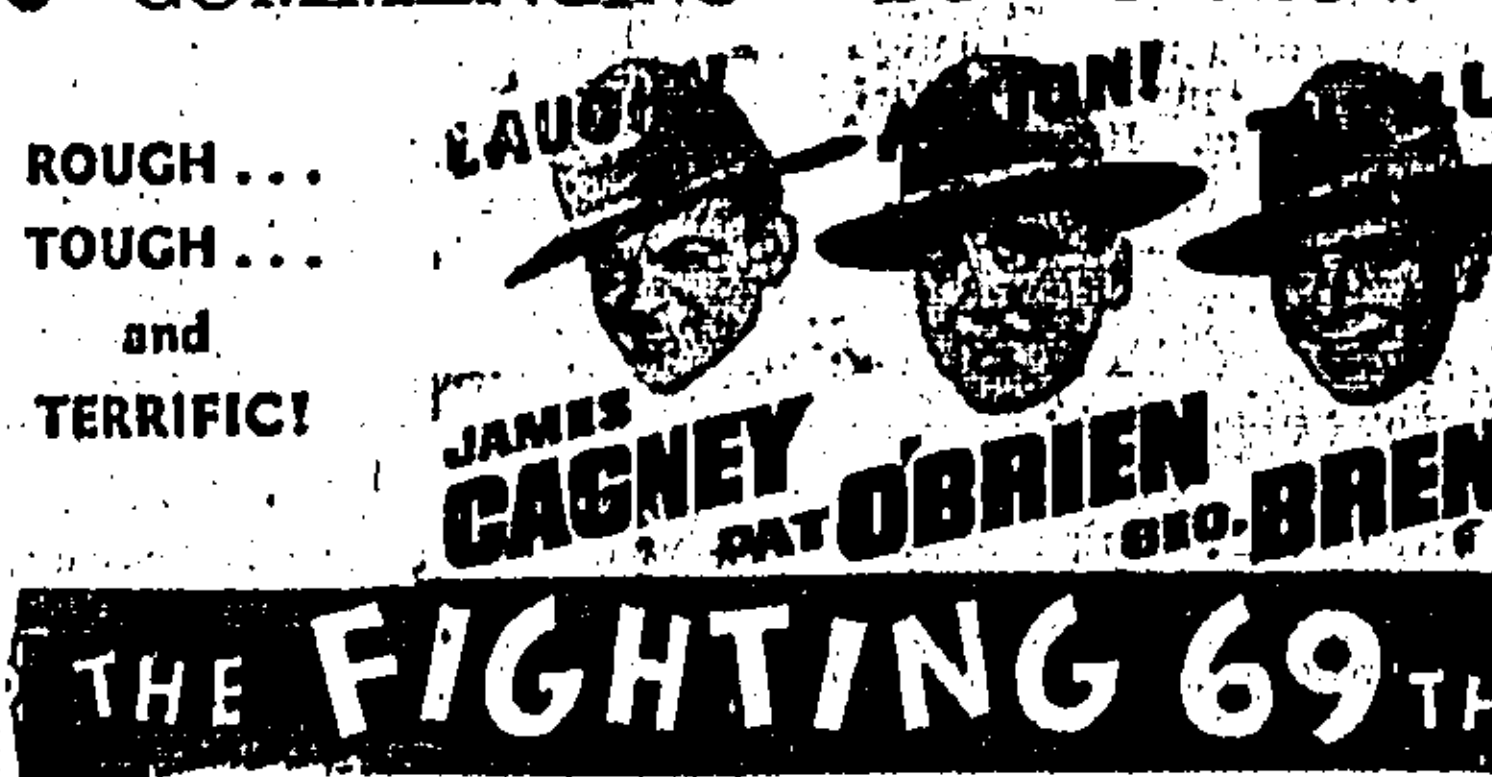
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French Capital Threatened with Fate of Warsaw Unless Unconditional Capitulation Is Agreed Upon: Germans Refuse To Recognise Paris As Open City

NAZI HIGH COMMAND TO SEND RADIO ULTIMATUM TO PARIS

IMMEDIATE SURRENDER ONLY ALTERNATIVE TO DESTRUCTION, SAY NAZIS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

Despite the declaration by France that Paris has been proclaimed an Open City and that all troops have been withdrawn and defences abandoned, the German High Command has decided to send a radio ultimatum, demanding the immediate surrender of the city.

The city, says a "Domei" message from Berlin, will be reduced to ashes unless the French immediately comply with the German demand.

NAZI WARNING OF FATE

The High Command quotes the fate that overcame Warsaw and Rotterdam when they refused to surrender.

The German Government admits the receipt of the report through the U.S. Ambassador that Paris is now an open and undefended city, but refuses to state whether the German High Command will accept this French notification.

Defence Of Paris Reaches Crisis Stage

250,000 battle on 20-mile front, give no quarter

BY MILES HANDLER

United Press War Correspondent

WITH THE PARIS DEFENDERS, June 14 (UP).

—The Defence of Paris has reached the crisis stage.

Entrenched in the last remaining line between the capital and the invaders, the defenders are to-day meeting an attack that has had no parallel even in the early days of the German offensive.

Last night's late communique clearly indicated that even stronger enemy mechanized units have crossed both the Seine and Marne, and they are now converging on Paris from four directions.

A quarter of a million men—180,000 Germans and 70,000 Frenchmen—are now jammed in a narrow 20-mile front between Senlis and Betz, where neither side is giving or asking quarter.

The casualties are colossal.

COLOSSAL CASUALTIES

Senlis, which is on the Paris-Soissons Railway, is 22 miles north of the capital. Betz is a small railway town between the Oise and Ourre Rivers.

Along the twenty mile front between these two towns is concentrated the flower of the French Army and the Paris garrison.

Outnumbered five to two and overwhelmed by the superiority of the German mechanization and air force, the French line is being pushed in a living hell of shell and steel.

Paris Crossed Marne
An equally violent battle is raging east of the capital, where the enemy's Panzer units have crossed the Marne between Chateau Thierry and Dormans, and are now advancing southwards in the direction of Montmirail, the railway junction city on the Petit Moru river.

Other armoured divisions have crossed the Marne near Epervain and are advancing along the south bank towards Chalons, capital and one of the principal railway centres of the Marne Province.

Counter-Attack By Chinese

CHUNGKING, June 13 (Reuter).

A Chinese military spokesman states that the Chinese have launched a heavy counter-attack north-east of Ichang and are attempting to seize a crossing on the Han River to cut the Japanese retreat.

Earlier, it was reported by both "Domei" and "United Press" that the Germans would ignore the French claim that Paris had been rendered an open city, and would demand the immediate capitulation of the capital on pain of destruction.

This procedure was adopted by the Germans in Poland when Warsaw was surrounded. Refusal of the Warsaw garrison to surrender led to the destruction of the Polish capital.

"The fate of Paris depends entirely upon developments," a Nazi spokesman said in Berlin this morning.

No Troops Left In City
It is officially announced in Washington the U.S. diplomatic intermediaries have informed the Reich Government that all French troops have been withdrawn from Paris and that the city is now completely undefended.

The Paris garrison and its Commander are understood to have left the city for an unspecified front.

Capture Imminent, Claim
The German High Command claimed last night that the capture of Paris was imminent.

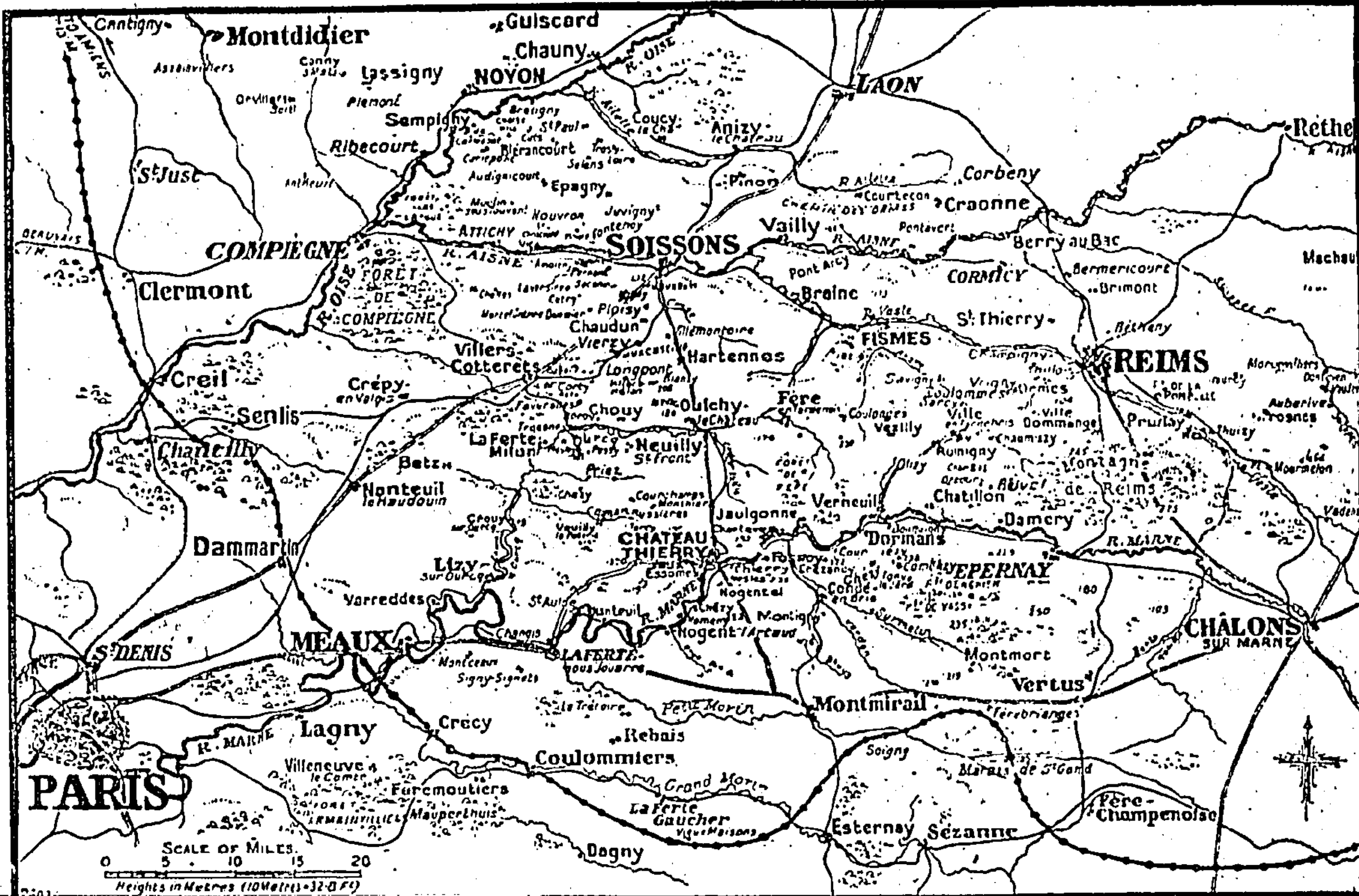
The opinion is expressed in Berlin that General Weygand will not turn to Page 2, Fourth Column

GERMANS IN PARIS, REPORT

MR. WILLIAM BULLITT, U.S. AMBASSADOR TO PARIS, HAS REPORTED BY URGENT CABLE TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON THAT THE GERMAN TROOPS HAD BEGUN ENTERING PARIS THIS MORNING, STATES A "DOMEI" FLASH FROM WASHINGTON.

Roosevelt To Define U.S. Stand

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NEW YORK, June 14 (Domei).—Herald-Tribune reports that President Roosevelt will make important speech in imminent future, enunciating U.S. position vis-a-vis European War.



Britain Calls Up More Men

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 13 (UP).—It is officially announced that the 1910 and 1911 Classes—the 29 and 30 year olds—are to be called up for Military Service.

The 1911 Class will be required to register for Military Service on Saturday. The 1910 Class must register before June 22.

INHERITANCE TAX IMPOSED

SHANGHAI, June 14 (Reuter).—All Chinese whose movable property has been transferred from the interior to Shanghai are liable to a payment of inheritance tax to the Chinese Government from July 1, 1940, stated the "Sin Wan Pao."

The paper adds that the local Chinese District Courts have been instructed by the Ministry of Justice in Chungking to this effect.

FORD TO BUILD ROLLS ROYCE PLANE ENGINES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 13 (UP).—Mr. William Knudson, President of the great General Motors Corporation and a member of President Roosevelt's recently created Special Defence Board, is negotiating with Mr. Henry Ford for the mass output at the Ford factories at Dearborn of British Rolls Royce airplane engines.

Great Britain has waived patent rights in order to permit manufacture of these famous engines in the United States.

Mr. Henry Ford, who has promised to turn out 1,000 planes a day within six months of receiving initial orders to go ahead, will turn out the Rolls Royce engines for both the American and Allied air forces.

Haile Selassie's Standard raised near Ethiopia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, June 14 (UP).—International circles—presumably the League of Nations—are about to constitute a new Abyssinian Government headed by Emperor Haile Selassie.

It is believed that this Government will be proclaimed as the legal government of Ethiopia.

Ethiopian tribesmen, who have been waiting three years for an opportunity to strike back at their aggressors, are rallying at many points on the Kenya, Sudan and British Somaliland frontiers, under the command of the former tribal chiefs who served under the Negus.

With modern arms, these tribesmen are now joining the Allied operations against the 250,000 Italian and Eritrean troops in Ethiopia.

Haile Selassie's Standard now flies again over the native armies led by Fitawrari Birru, who has temporarily assumed command.

New Threat To Maginot Line Seen

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SIMULTANEOUSLY with the drive on Paris, Germans have opened a new offensive in the Aisne-Marne sector which apparently has as its object the flanking of the true Maginot Line.

A spokesman of the Ministry of National Defence stated this morning that there are distinctive signs that the German forces now attacking with considerable strength in the Rheims sector are directing their attacks north-eastwards towards the Maginot Line.

The German onslaughts along the Aisne in the Argonne Forest area, coupled with the furious onslaughts in the Rheims area, have compelled the French forces to withdraw towards the front extending from Verdun to Vitry in order to prevent themselves from becoming outflanked and encircled.

South of Rheims, the Germans claim to have occupied Chalons, on the Marne River.

WAR IN AFRICA

INITIATIVE BY ALLIES

Daring British Raid On Libyan Frontier

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, June 14 (UP).—In a daring raid carried out by British troops under cover of darkness, British patrols took the initiative against the Italians on the Libyan frontier last night.

The British patrol crawled across the night-cooled sands of the desert to the barbed-wire barricades which the Italians have constructed along the 250-mile frontier.

In addition to cutting through the enemy's barrier, the Britons captured several Italian and native prisoners.

Simultaneously, the British and South African air forces are continuing their air raids on Italian possessions.

Diradawa Bombed
Blenheim bombers yesterday attacked Diradawa aerodrome, scene of one of the fiercest battles in the Turn to Page 2, Fourth Column

America Launches Battleship

NEW YORK, June 14 (Reuter).—America's latest battleship, the 35,000-ton U.S.S. North Carolina, was launched at the Brooklyn Naval Yard yesterday.

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Why Italy Will Lose In The Air

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LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The strength and capabilities of the Italian air force formed the subject of a short talk from Daventry to-night by Mr. Oliver Stuart.

One thing above all which must be kept in mind in trying to weigh up the air situation, he began, was the importance of not under-estimating the enemy's strength. He proposed to work on the lines that it was very great and then see what we would do about it.

The R.A.F. was already striking at the Italians at points over a great area, stretching up from Eritrea to Switzerland, including Libya and Northern Italy. It was important to note that R.A.F. planes based at England had bombed military objectives at Turin.

The South African air force was also playing its part.

Free To Act
Before Italy came into the war, a large number of R.A.F. planes were immobilised by the threat of Italian intervention. They could not be used on the Western Front because at any moment they might be wanted further east.

Italy's decision to come into the war had now released them and they could now take effective action.

With what aircraft Italy will try to reply? Italy has a great variety of machines of different types, some of them very well developed indeed. But although there are some outstanding performances, the planes of the main body appear to be of an inferior technical quality to that of the Allies.

The Italians are reported to be using the Fiat bi-plane as one of the main fighter types. Their bombing planes seem to be chiefly Savoia-Marchetti, which are really obsolete. They have a few very advanced planes which were built for record-breaking purposes.

Schneider Cup History
Their skill in this is acknowledged. But between record-breaking planes production and production of quantity for air force use, there is a wide gulf.

How about pilots and mechanics? He went to Venice in 1927 to see the Schneider Trophy race and was very impressed by the daring of the Italian pilots who accepted considerable risks.

The British team acknowledged this daring. But daring alone does not win races or wars. The Italians were defeated then and again at Calshot in 1929 and 1931.

Our own pilots are equal to accept risks with caution, as one must at the present phase, but he thought that the indications were fairly satisfactory and that in all probability the R.A.F. would be able eventually to deal satisfactorily with the Italian air force.

ROOSEVELT'S RESPONSE

WASHINGTON, June 13 (Reuter).—It was stated at the White House to-day that President Roosevelt's speech given at Charlottesville on June 10 is considered a complete answer to M. Paul Reynaud's request for assistance by the United States.

It is added that M. Reynaud's cable was not delivered until after President Roosevelt's return from Charlottesville. It was only by a coincidence that the President's speech was so completely to the point.

Doing Everything Possible
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, June 13 (UP).—President Roosevelt has replied to M. Reynaud's appeal.

The United States, he declared in his reply, is doing everything possible to place its material resources at the disposal of the Allies.

Mr. Stephen Early, the President's Secretary, authorized the following statement to-night: "The text of M. Reynaud's statement has been received. Everything possible is being done to forward supplies to France."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

APOLOGY

On the 12th of June, 1940, we published a report dealing with the closure of Italian businesses in Hongkong, at the conclusion of which we stated as follows:—

"The other business firms run by Italians such as . . . and Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., are also being watched and closed by the Authorities."

We hereby admit and agree that Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co. Ltd., registered in England, and its subsidiaries, Marconi (China) Ltd., registered in Hongkong, and Marconi International Marine Communication Co. Ltd., registered in England, are British companies entirely managed and controlled by British subjects and are not in any way whatsoever Italian businesses or managed or controlled by Italians. We also admit that there is no truth whatsoever in the statement that these companies are being watched and closed by the Authorities.

We hereby tender our deep apologies to these Companies for these false and damaging statements and unreservedly withdraw such statements.

We also deeply regret that any such statement should have appeared in our papers.

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TSUN WAN YAT PO,

TIN KWONG PO.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 17th day of June, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	Lot No. 4370	Adjoining Garden Lot No. 4374, Ha Heung Road, To Kwa Wan.	As per plan.	About 3,720	\$160	\$2,750

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
2	Lot No. 4382	Adjoining Garden Lot No. 4388, South Bay Road.	As per plan.	About 10,000	\$114	\$12,500

Reduction Of Capital

Company's Application Allowed By Court

An application for confirmation of reduction of capital from \$2,000,000 to \$1,000,000 by cancelling 4,000 preference shares was brought by the Hongkong Estates, Ltd., before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court this morning.

For the Company, Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. R. M. M. King, said the reduction was slightly unusual in that immediately after the money, through the cancellation of the preference shares, had been handed to the holder, the Asia Life, it was lent back to the firm by means of debentures. The reason for this was that there were a certain number of ordinary shares and preference shares.

Sole Holder

The Asia Life was the sole holder of 8,000 of the latter for which an interest of five per cent. had to be paid, and so long as this was done the Company could not pay any dividend on ordinary shares.

As a result, an agreement was arrived at between the Company and the Asia Life, whereby 4,000 of the preference shares were to be converted into debentures to be lent back to the Company and the remaining 4,000, he reduced to the status of ordinary shares. The debentures were payable until 1960.

The application was granted.

INITIATIVE BY ALLIES

FROM PAGE ONE

Ethiopian War. They scored direct hits on a munition dump, which blew up with a terrific explosion.

Italy's effort on the war on both sides of the Mediterranean have so far been perille.

The Allies are obviously attempting to draw Italy into operations as far as possible from the European theatre.

Italians Isolated
Italy's most vulnerable possessions are along the Red Sea and Indian Ocean, and the first operations have begun in Somaliland, and not Eritrea.

The railway to Addis Ababa has been cut and the cooling port of Djibouti (terminus of the railway) has been isolated.

The Italians in Ethiopia can communicate with the outside world only by motor road to Eritrea.

East African Communique
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NAIROBI, June 13 (UP).—The following is the text of the East African Allied command:

"Three enemy aircraft at 6.30 a.m. on Wednesday 13th June, 1940, the evening of the British Moyale. They dropped nine bombs in the first raid but no damage was caused and one African soldier was slightly wounded. No damage was reported from the second raid."

"Three enemy aircraft bombed Wajir at 6.30 a.m. on Thursday. Details of damage have not yet been reported. Two R.A.F. personnel were slightly wounded and one British machine was damaged."

"On the night of Tuesday and Wednesday enemy aircraft were heard and the raid alarm was sounded at Nairobi."

"The warning lasted from 10.20 p.m. to 12.30 a.m. but it was a false alarm."

"Otherwise in the northern frontier district and in the coastal area our machines were active carrying out reconnaissance flights on Wednesday. There has been no untoward land activity so far and all was quiet on the front this morning."

R.A.F. Raids
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, June 13 (Domei).—R.A.F. bombers on Wednesday blew up the military goods storerooms and barracks of the Italian forces at Asab in Eritrea, Italian territory, and magazines in the vicinity of Adowa in Ethiopia, according to an Air Ministry communique issued to-day.

Italians Raid Aden
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ADEN, June 13 (Domei).—Italian aircraft at 9.30 o'clock on Wednesday evening and again before daybreak and at 9.30 o'clock on Thursday morning raided Aden, but except that five or six Arabs were killed or wounded, no further damage is reported.

One of the Italian raiders was shot down.

NAZI HIGH COMMAND

FROM PAGE ONE

It is impossible to maintain a continuous front and to carry out an orderly retreat to the south, says a "United Press" message.

Ralph Heinzen, "United Press" war correspondent, says the French forces, points out, however, that General Weygand's slow retreat across northern France has been one of the most masterly retreats in the face of overwhelming odds in history.

"Nowhere," says Heinzen in a special despatch, "has Germany been able to achieve important French forces or break through the continuous French line."

Exhausting Effort
"The German effort must soon be spent."

"They may capture Paris but behind the former capital Weygand's lines are completely intact, ready to launch the great counter-offensive as soon as Germany's effort weakens."

Meanwhile, "United Press" quotes official French communications which state that the battle for Paris is raging with increased violence.

West of the city, the German forces, who have crossed the Seine River, are attacking south of Rouen and motorised Panzer units are now pouring over the bridgeheads at Louviers, Les Andelys and Vernon.

Their immediate objectives being Pacy and Evreux, on the Euro River. German High Command communique claims that German vanguards have entered Chalons, on the Marne River. Chalons is the seat of the Marne Provincial Government and was last occupied by German forces in September, 1914.

What Envoys Told Nazis
WASHINGTON, June 14 (Reuter).—The Department of State has issued the text of the message transmitted by Mr. William C. Bullitt, the American Ambassador to France, to Berlin upon the request of the French authorities.

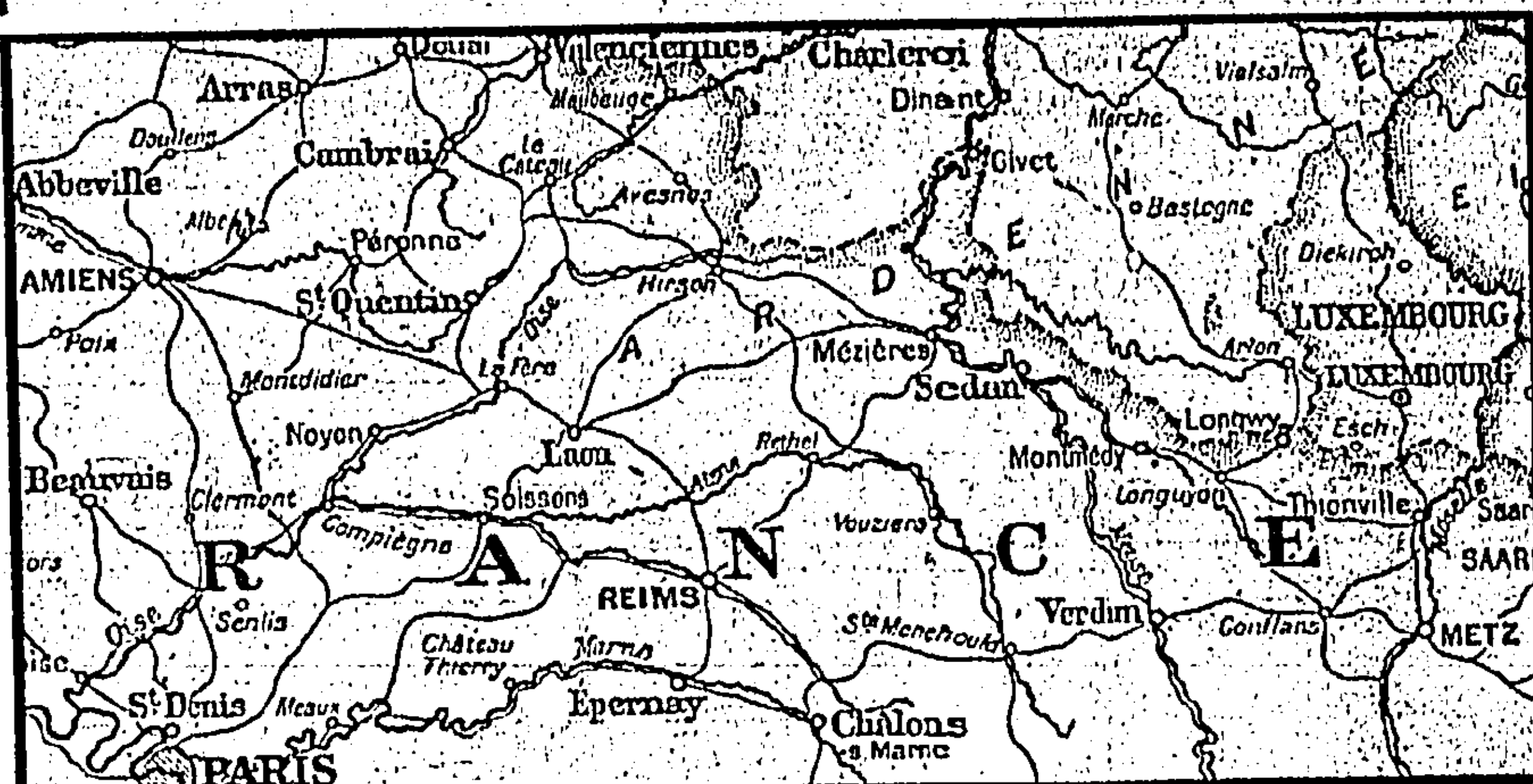
The message notifies the German Army that Paris is an open city and that military forces are being withdrawn.

The message also says that Mr. Bullitt would remain in Paris "to be of any assistance possible and seeing to it that the transfer of the government to the south takes place without loss of human life."

WAR CASUALTY LISTS

Latest casualty lists, received by air-mail, may be inspected at the Hongkong Telegraph office, Second Floor. They include an Admiralty list of 607 names.

GERMANS START NEW OFFENSIVE



THE MAP ABOVE illustrates the area of the new German offensive, which is believed to be aimed at compromising the true Maginot Line. The Germans are reported to be pushing in the two directions between the Meuse and Aisne Rivers towards the Meuse, apparently in the direction of Verdun and Metz, where they hope to fetch up in the rear of the impregnable French fortifications. (See Story on Page 1)

NANKING'S REQUEST

Wants Foreign Warships To Leave China

SHANGHAI, June 14 (Reuter).—Voluntary withdrawal of British, French and Italian troops and warships from China is requested by the Nanking Government in the form of a statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, states a report from Nanking.

A request is made "to maintain peace and order and also protect the lives and property of the Chinese in areas where troops and warships of the belligerents are stationed."

"Unexpected Eventsuality"
It is stressed that the withdrawal is urged to prevent "unexpected eventsuality."

The declaration is approved by Wang Ching-wei and other Nanking leaders.

The statement also announced that the Nanking Government would not recognise the transfer by a belligerent power of rights and interests in China to the government of any other nation.

"It is declared that the 'National government will take effective measures to annul such transfers, which would be an insult to the sovereignty of China and liable to cause conflicts."

U.S. Aid For Allies

Ambassador Sees Lord Halifax

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, June 13 (UP).—Mr. Joseph Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador, was in conference with Lord Halifax to-day.

It is believed they discussed the question of further U.S. assistance to the Allies.

America continues to be the source of France's greatest hopes, states a despatch from Ralph Heinzen in Paris.

France's Big Hopes
The French are convinced that if the United States increases—or even maintains—the flow of materials across the Atlantic, the Allies can still drive off their enemies after Hitler's first effort has been wholly spent.

The official French reaction continues to be resolutely optimistic with the general theme that "there is still plenty of room in France to fight in."

It has been announced in Washington that President Roosevelt promised full material aid to the Allies before receiving M. Reynaud's cable request for American aid.

Reynaud's Last Appeal
NEW YORK, June 13 (Reuter).—"I addressed to-day a new and last appeal to President Roosevelt," declared M. Paul Reynaud, the French Premier, in a broadcast to-day.

New Measure Proposed
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, June 13 (UP).—A conference of the joint leaders of the Senate and House of Representatives has unanimously agreed to a Bill with the following provisions:

1.—To grant the President authority to trade in surplus military equipment, thus making it available to the Allies.

2.—To remove the limit authorized for the number of Army planes and pilots.

3.—To authorize the President to issue an embargo on the supply of war materials and machine tools by the United States to any country.

Acceptance of the report by both Houses of Congress is considered certain.

POLICE SERGEANT'S WIFE CONVICTED

Raid On House Reveals Big Gambling Den

Two Chinese women, one of them the wife of a European police-sergeant, were charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy this morning with keeping the ground floor of No. 230 Wanchai Road as a common gaming house. Defendants were Mrs. J. E. Jessop, alias Chan Yuet-ho, 33, and Leung Sing, 40, widow. They were defended by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, who pleaded not guilty in respect of Mrs. Jessop, and guilty for Leung.

Opening the prosecution, Mr. F. W. Shaftain, Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence (Crime), said about 5.30 p.m. on June 5, Det. Sub-insp. Darkin, himself and a party of Police went to No. 230 Wanchai Road, ground floor. The house was occupied by Sgt. Jessop and his family, and he received a house allowance of \$110 from the Government. He had lived there for the past two years.

Informers Opens Door.
On June 5, the door was opened to admit an informer, who had been a frequent visitor to the house. As soon as the door opened, the Police arrived at the psychological moment in cars, and while one constable held open the door, a detective went forward through the passage to a square opening, where gambling was in progress. There were two rooms forward of this opening and another beyond it, and the house was so constructed that it was impossible for anyone standing in the open door and looking down the passage not to be able to see what was going on there.

Mrs. Jessop was standing by a table where more than 20 people were gambling and between her there were two bowls containing money. Leung was in the act of shaking the dice, which was the game in progress. On the table and in bowls was a total of \$104, which was seized by the Police.

Arms Enclosed Money
In evidence, Detective Yu Chung-wing said he saw Mrs. Jessop at the table with her arms enclosing two bowls of money.

Cross-examined by Mr. Russ, he said her attitude was that of one in charge of the money. She said she followed Yu into the house, and saw the first accused leave the table and walk into the passage. It was impossible for anyone living in the house not to know gambling was in progress, he said.

Testifying, Mrs. Jessop said she occupied the front sitting-room and bedroom with her husband and family, and sublet the rear portion, including the square opening, to Leung for \$100, including board and lodging. She had resided in the flat since April. At the time the Police arrived, Sgt. Jessop was home. He had just come in before the Police arrived and was in the bedroom, where he was preparing to write a letter. She denied she was assisting in the gambling or that she had her arms around the bowls.

House Rent Of \$200
Cross-examined by Mr. Shaftain, defendant admitted the Government gave them a house allowance of \$110 a month. Her house rent was \$200 a month. Second defendant was her sub-tenant. Defendant said she did not use the room where gambling was going on. She had her meals in the kitchen, and when the Sergeant was home, he had his meals in the sitting-room.

Mr. Shaftain: Do you know that Government agents in fact allowed to sublet premises for which they receive a house allowance?—I don't know that.

Do you know whether your husband ever reported to Government that he had sublet the house?

Mr. Russ queried the question, and his Witness also asked Mr. Shaftain what was the relevancy of it.

Mr. Shaftain replied he was only trying to bring out the fact that the premises were in fact not sublet. If Sgt. Jessop had sublet the flat and had not informed Government, he would have been dismissed. However, he did not wish to labour the question.

Defendant's Denials
Questioned further, Mrs. Jessop denied she was taking an important part in the gambling, and declared that what the Chinese detective had said was false.

Mother Of Six
Mr. Shaftain: With regard to the first defendant I am not taking for a heavy penalty because, as your Witness realises, the case does not rest here. Second defendant has a record of two previous convictions. First accused is the mother of six children, and there may possibly be heavy penalties to follow.

Mrs. Jessop was fined \$25, and Leung was fined \$50. The sum of \$104.66 seized was confiscated for the Poor Box, and the gambling gear was ordered to be destroyed.

N.Y.K.'s New Europe Route

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, June 14 (Domei).—The N.Y.K. Line has decided to alter its route to Europe in view of the spreading of the Mediterranean.

As from June 19 all N.Y.K. ships will proceed to London and Liverpool via the Cape, with Aden, Bombay, Karachi and Aden as ports of call.

If Aden is endangered it will be omitted. Ships may proceed at their own discretion via the Cape or the Panama Canal on the return voyage.

The N.Y.K. round-the-world service will now end at New York.

Malta Is Not Evacuated

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—It is learned here that some misconception has followed the announcement of the arrival in the United Kingdom of the women and children from Malta.

It has been reported for example that there are no women left in Malta.

Reports officially stated that these reports are without foundation. The wives and families of the naval and military personnel, who are not themselves resident in Malta, have been sent to this country.

But there has been no general evacuation of women and children: whether English or Maltese from the Colony. No such evacuation is contemplated.

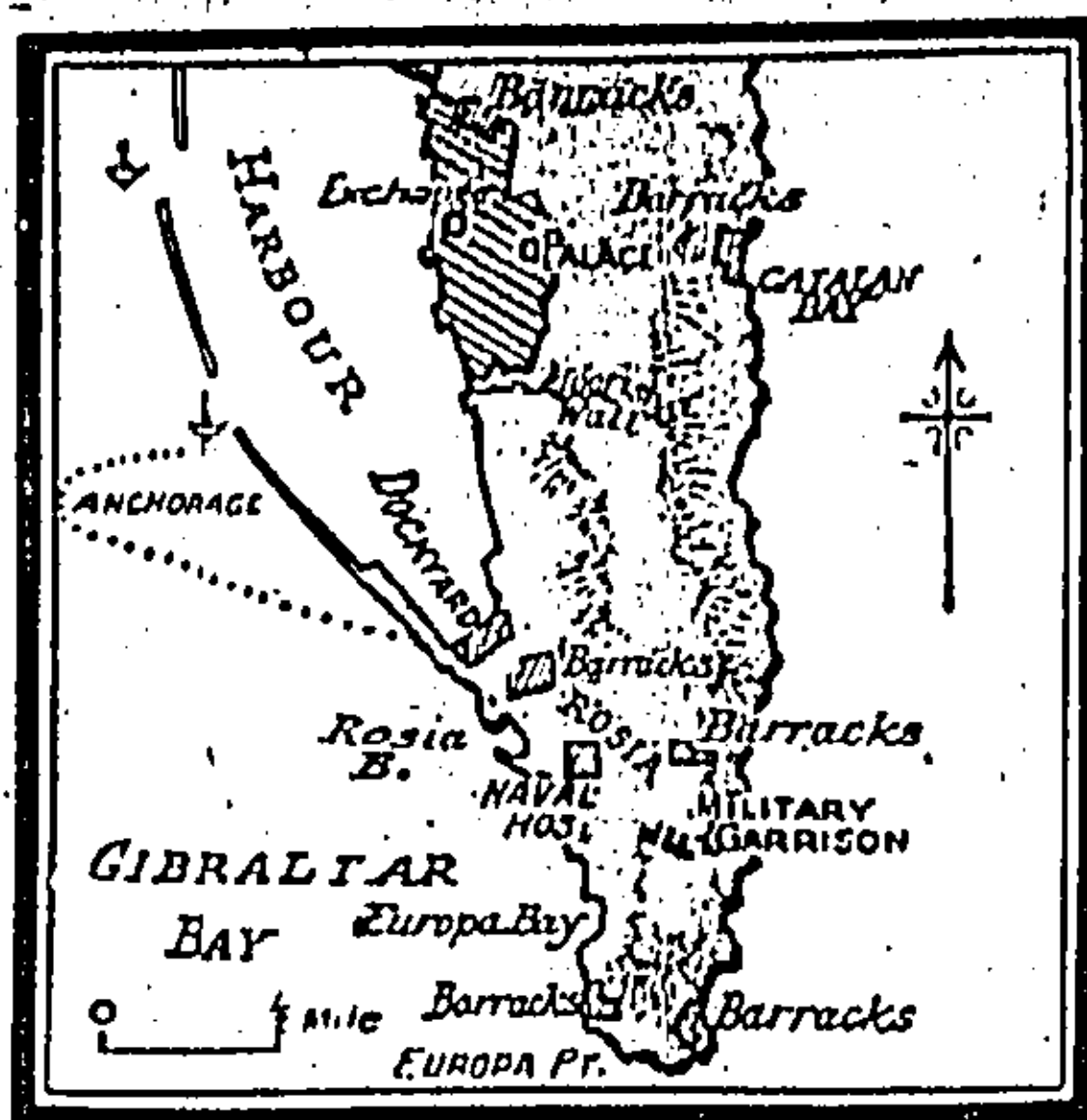
Leung said she was a sub-tenant of Mrs. Jessop, and declared Mrs. Jessop did not have her arms around the bowls when the Police arrived.

To Mr. Shaftain, who asked how she could supervise alone 21 persons gambling, defendant said only seven were gambling and the rest were watching. She was not assisted by first accused.

Mr. Russ submitted that the only direct evidence against Mrs. Jessop was that of the Chinese detective, and that evidence was contradicted by the first and second accused. He suggested that the evidence of the detective was unreasonable and unreliable.

Mr. Sheldon said he had no doubt whatever that first accused was assisting in the game of dice, and convicted her.

MAGAZINE PAGE



GUIDE TO GIB.

GIBRALTAR is big news to-day. Its significance as the first important post on Britain's sea route to India and the Far East is apparent to everyone.

The Rock of Gibraltar is a precipitous narrow crag about three miles long running due north and south. It is also almost completely inaccessible both from the north and south, and it is only because there is a restricted shelf of land on the western side that it is possible to maintain it as a naval base and garrison.

When approached from the Spanish side across the race-course and military cemetery, the Rock rises perpendicularly for nearly 1,000 ft. At Europa Point, directly opposite the African coast, the cliffs rise to 2,000 ft. On the eastern side there is only a diminutive beach called Catalan Bay, reached by a narrow track from the north.

The naval harbour works are now very considerable, and have been developed from the first days of the occupation. The amount of ground available for building, and the erection of sheds and barracks was so small that 64 acres had to be reclaimed from the sea. Some of the recovered land near the Alameda Gardens was once 40 ft. under water.

To-day the enclosed anchorage, within the huge stone moles, extends to 440 acres. Even at low tide there is a clearance of 30 ft. In addition, there are three large graving docks, one of them extending to more than 800 ft.

During the Great War Gibraltar was a main coaling station for the British Fleet. Later the dockyards have been equipped with huge oil fuel stores.

The harbour is deep enough at all times to accommodate the Mediterranean Fleet in safe anchorage. And in Admiralty language Gibraltar is known as H.M.S. Gibraltar for the purposes of record.

THERE are hidden galleries all over the Rock and an elaborate tunnelling system. An attempt is being made to equip the forts with sufficiently heavy artillery to defend the harbour below against any attack.

Until recently there was scarcely any anti-aircraft organisation, but now a battery has been added to the garrison, and further, a special local defence force is being organised.

The present Governor and Commander-in-Chief is the famous soldier General Sir Edmund Ironside. He has under his command a force of some 3,216, consisting of two battalions of infantry—the 2nd King's Regiment and the 2nd Somerset Light Infantry, a Fortress Company of the Royal Engineers, three howitzer batteries, and details of Signals and the various corps of the commissariat.

THE native population, mostly descended from Italian and Spanish settlers, totals 10,650. Their numbers are severely restricted by the authorities because of the limited space in the little town.

"The Rock" has been a symbol of British mastery at sea since 1704, when it was captured by a combined British and Dutch fleet under Sir George Rooke. Since then it has been maintained as a naval and military base, and only once has our possession been seriously threatened—at the time of the American War of Independence, when the Spaniards laid siege to it for four years from 1779 to 1783.

For the past 150 years the history of the Rock has been almost uneventful. Even during the Great War it did not figure in any prominent naval or military action, although one of its harbours was the scene of great naval activity.

THE PERFECT BABY.

JOAN CONSTANCE BENNETT, of Falmouth, Exeter, was once awarded a silver jug as a perfect baby.

Last week she collapsed and died. She had complained of toothache and about her throat.

A pathologist, at the inquest, attributed her death to a germ which, he thought, entered the bloodstream through a tooth socket.

Young one of 10 children, would have been nine in July.

An innocent abroad looks at



QUESTION: Where and what is Pantelleria?

ANSWER: A small Italian island strategically placed between Italy and North Africa, transformed into a sea and air base in the last two years.

Like nearby Malta, the British base, it seeks to command the bottle-neck which joins the western and eastern basins of the Mediterranean.

Some experts say it is better placed than Malta because it lies like an anchored battleship right in the only deep-water channel, while Malta is further to the south-east.

Forty-five square miles in area, it is crowned by 2,700 feet high Monte Grande.

Why Tunis gives Italy a headache

by HARRY GREENWALL

GABES (Tunisia).

THE vital importance the French General Staff attaches to the Protectorate of Tunisia may be gathered from a remark made to me by a high French official who said: "If Italy declares war we shall invade Tripolitania so as to protect Egypt."



I have reason to know that this plan is within the knowledge of the Italian Government, and accounts in no small measure for the outbursts of claims respecting Tunisia.

The Italian-inspired Press states that the French intend to use this country as a jumping-off place to attack Tripolitania.

Whatever may be the truth concerning the Italian allegation, it must be a well-established fact that the French have absolutely nothing to fear from an Italian attack launched from the neighbouring colony.

The so-called Tunisian Maginot Line runs southwards from this city alongside the foothills which themselves descend perpendicularly to the Italian frontier. It is claimed that this colonial Maginot Line is even stronger than the Line alongside the Rhine.

With the official secrets I have nothing to do, but even a layman cannot imagine any foreign state launching an attack in this forlorn terrain.

Impassable Barrier

GABES is approximately 250 miles from Tunis, and is linked to it by a railway line which follows the contours of the coast. The "pill-boxes" and subterranean fortresses which form the first line of defence may be even stronger than the experts say they are; but, at all events, the second line of defence, which is provided by Nature herself, is an impassable barrier which will defy any weapon of offence except aeroplanes.

This second line is nothing less than two huge salt lakes which, except for a few miles, link the Algerian-Tunisian frontier with the Mediterranean.

In Arabic a lake is called "Chott." To the extreme west is Chott el Gharsa, which goes from the Algerian frontier eastwards to a small and narrow neck of land which separates the lake from the enormous Chott el Djerid, the end of which is roughly 20 miles from the Mediterranean.

So, even if an attacking force successfully overran the "Maginot Line" along the mountains to the south, it would be faced by a problem, such as no military chief since Hannibal has ever had to face.

From impressions gained by personal inspection, and from knowledge imparted by persons who speak with the voice of authority, I am able to affirm that the French General Staff does not anticipate any danger from the south, but if the danger of attack does materialise it will come from the east, and for this reason work is going on day and night to fortify the Gulf of Hammamet.

Huge batteries of long-range guns have been erected just to the north of Sousse and other batteries are being built between Zaghairat and Hammamet.

Bone Of Contention

IT is claimed that the Port of Bizerte, north of Tunis, is a tactically strong position, and that the artificial lake behind Bizerte is big enough and deep enough to hold the whole British Mediterranean Fleet in comfort and safety.

This, I am afraid, is at the present moment rather an exaggeration.

The territory of Tunisia is about one-third the size of France, but a considerable part of it is uninhabitable. The population at the last census was 2,400,000.

We at home are apt to think of this country as one of those very far away places, and yet do you know, this backdoor colony of France is just a mere 23 hours by sea from Marseilles, and by plane just an interval between an early breakfast and a late lunch.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"Can I have to-morrow afternoon off, Boss? My grandmother's getting married again!"

A FEW FACTS ABOUT OUR NEW ENEMY

ITALY

Population 43,578,000. Area 119,714 sq. miles.

The extent of land frontiers is 1,185 miles, coast length being 5,326 miles.

Agriculture, including the growing of grapes and olives, forms the principal industry, agricultural land extending to 70,548,878 acres. Is practically self-supporting in foodstuffs, produce of cereals totalling 10,000,000 tons.

Textiles are the largest and most important manufacturing industry.

Italy is not rich in mineral deposits, and is especially lacking in coal. Production of iron and steel amounts to only about 3,000,000 tons.

The chemical industry has been greatly developed, the production of sulphuric acid being 15,317,273 tons. Oil output is almost negligible.

Mercantile marine totals 2,071,830 tons gross.

Italy's colonial empire is principally in Africa, and consists of Italian East Africa (Eritrea, Ethiopia and Italian Somaliland) and Libya. On Good Friday, April 7, 1939, Italy invaded Albania, which is now part of the Italian Empire and is administered by a Lieutenant-General. Population 1,000,000.

Area 10,629 sq. miles.

HONGKONG WAR GIFT Public Meeting Called For Next Friday

At the recent public meeting in St. Andrew's Hall, which was called to discuss ways and means of assisting the British War Organisation Fund, it was considered that many local residents would like to be associated with an effort to raise money for some specific gift, such as an aeroplane, an ambulance, a tank or a motor torpedo-boat, and the Rev. J. R. Higgs was asked to call another public meeting to decide which one of these should be selected.

Mr. Higgs therefore announces that a public meeting will be held in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel next Friday, June 21, at 6 p.m.

All members and sections of the public on both sides of the harbour are invited to be present, and it is hoped that the attendance will be worthy of the purpose of the meeting.

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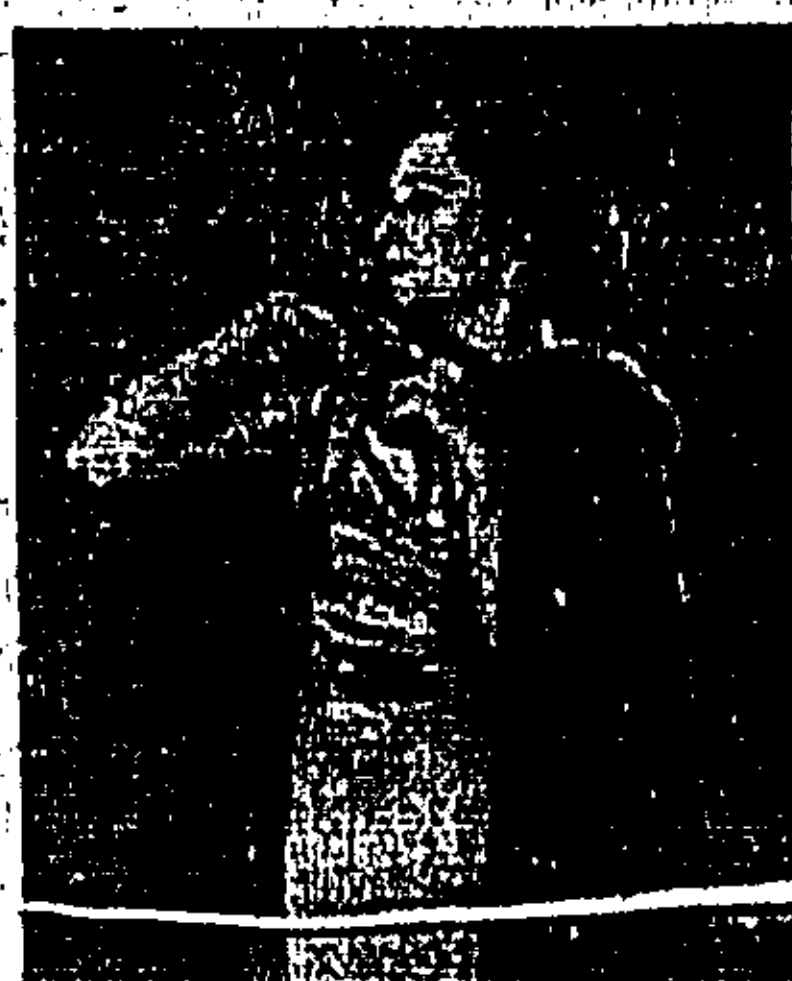
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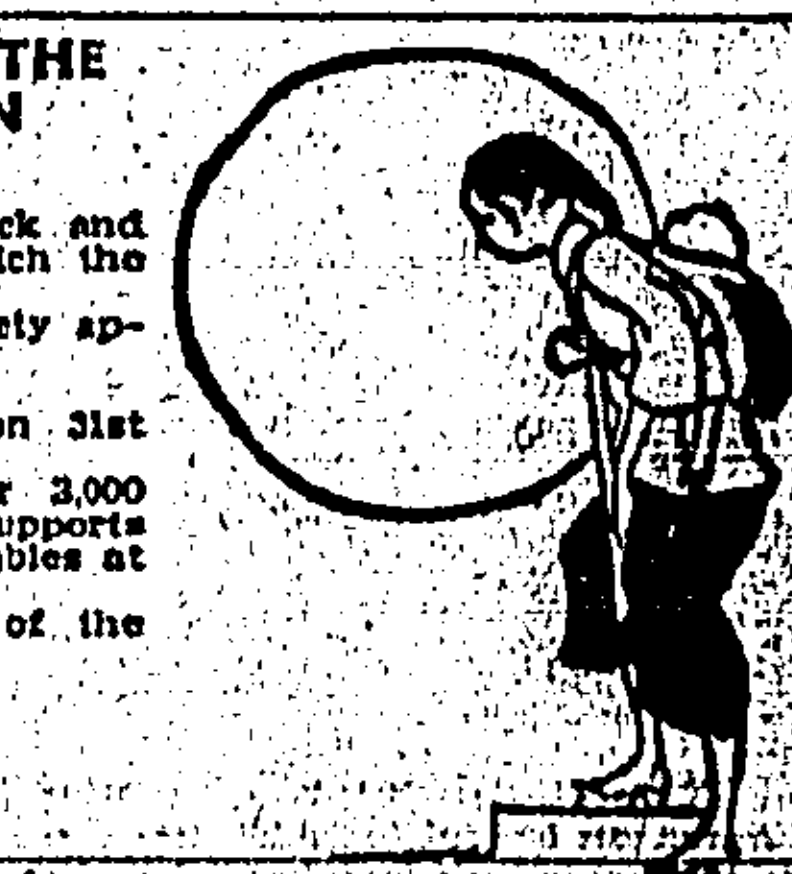
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1st June, 1940.



HELPFUL HINTS FOR YOUR SCRAP-BOOK

HOW often have you read dozens and dozens of household hints and promptly forgotten all about them. Then some day when you want to mend an ornament or take a stain out of some material you cannot remember the valuable hints you had read.

So to-day, in order to assist you, we are publishing many useful household hints. They can easily be cut out and pasted into a "Household Hint Scrapbook." You've no idea how useful it will be. Just try it.

RECIPES always call for level measurements unless "heaping" is specified.

A SALAD made with eggs, fish, meat, chicken, vegetables or other substantial foods calls for a heavy dressing such as mayonnaise.

TRY strong tea to remove raw vegetables stains from the fingers.

A little flour added to the fat in which eggs are to be fried, will keep them from popping and scattering grease.

A LITTLE vinegar added to the hot rinse in laundering lingerie or hosiery is said to add strength to the materials.

SAGGING seats of canned chairs can be brought back into shape. Turn them upside down and wash with soapy water. Use plenty of water, both for washing and rinsing. The seats should be thoroughly soaked, and in drying they tighten up into shape again.

LACE curtains may be washed in the washing machine with safety if enclosed in a pillow case.

IT IS possible to rebake a joint without losing any of the essential goodness if this method is followed:—Cover the meat with hot mashed potatoes, dipping the knife in hot water and making the covering smooth, brush over with beaten egg, or dredge with raspings, and place in a fairly hot oven until thoroughly heated and browned. Serve with the usual sauce.

If a deep saucepan is not available for a large pudding, it is possible to improvise one by inverting a slightly larger saucepan on top of the one in which the pudding is steamed.

FOR lighter scrambled eggs, add one level teaspoon of baking powder for every six eggs used just before cooking.

YOU will get a few more months of wear out of a worn off, lopsided broom by soaking it in hot water for about five minutes and then trimming the straw evenly with a pair of shears.

IF YOU own an electric cooker, never try to remove stains from the aluminum with a fork or knife, as you may cut through the metal. Apply a little scouring powder, or steel wool. Or boil a little cider vinegar in the cooker.

A PIECE of carpet nailed to an oblong piece of board about the size of a blackboard eraser, is excellent to use for painting screens.

A TEASPOON of salt added to the water when boiling potatoes will keep the skins from breaking.

A WELL-equipped kitchen has strainers of different sizes, in a

variety of meshes, for straining orange juice, tea and vegetables.

WHEN sewing large pieces of work, such as sheets, table-cloths, and blankets, an excellent method of keeping the cotton handy is to use a large safety-pin, slip the reel through the pin, and fasten the pin on to the work in hand, near where you are sewing.

This enables you to draw a thread as desired without the cotton either falling on the floor or else being in an inconvenient place owing to the size of the work.

USE a drop of glycerine in the works when you "oil" the mending machine. Ordinary oil cannot be used because it might taint the food, but glycerine won't do any harm.

SHOULD the crown of a hat stretch so that it feels uncomfortable, try substituting a strip of velvet for the original silk inside binding, as it will them fit much better.

If the leather binding of a book is shabby or has mildew on it, rub with a soft cloth dipped in oil of lavender, and when dry polish with a soft duster.

CORK table-mats can be quickly cleaned by first wetting them and rubbing with pumice stone. Rinse under a tap before drying.

SLIGHTLY warm newly-purchased tea in the oven before putting it into the caddy, and its flavour will be much improved.

G. G. T. RUBBER bands wound around each end of a clothes hanger will keep blouses and dresses of silky textures from slipping off.

A PIECE bag made of mosquito netting or from an old lace curtain will save you the trouble of emptying the entire contents, as the piece you want will be seen from the outside.

THE perfect topping for well-buttered pancakes or waffles is a mixture of brown sugar, cloves and cinnamon.

IF you like vegetable combinations, try cooking celery with tomatoes, add half a small onion, finely chopped, and season to taste.

A HOUSEWIFE greases her hands well before using washing soda or a solution containing lye.

LINENS should be kept in a closet that is dry but not too hot. No matter how immaculate a linen closet may be, it is good to use old sheets to cover linen shelves.

LIGHTLY waxed woodwork cuts down cleaning. Rub spots that are handled often—banisters, the areas around doorknobs and windows—with a thin coat of floor wax. This forms a protective coating, making it very easy to wipe off finger marks.

WALLPAPER should be dusted periodically with a broom wrapped in a clean, dry cloth.

DID you know that one egg will do the work of a half-teaspoon baking powder in a cake?

TO remove old grass stains, rub with molasses and allow to stand for several days before washing. Fresh grass stains may generally be removed by soaking in alcohol.

WILTED celery can be crisped by placing in a pan of cold water to which half a lemon is added.

IN selecting summer draperies for a too-sunny room, concentrate on the cool colours, blues, greens and blue-violets.

TO fasten corks tightly in bottles, boil the corks for five minutes to soften them and then, while hot, press them into the bottles. When cool, the seal will be perfect.

Marmalade Scones

EATEN directly, or a few hours after they are made, marmalade scones need no additional fat. Rub two ounces of marmalade into eight ounces of flour, a teaspoonful of cream of tartar, and half a teaspoonful of baking soda.

Add a tablespoonful of marmalade and enough milk to make a soft dough. Roll out, cut into rounds or triangles, and bake for ten minutes in a hot oven.

Devil's Food Cake

Add 1 cup of water slowly to 1 package devil's food mix; stir until smooth. Pour into two 8-inch greased layer cake pans. Bake in moderate oven (350 degrees F.) 20 to 25 minutes. Prepare seven-minute frosting. To ½ frosting add ¼ cup chopped chocolate-covered almonds. Spread between layers. Cover tops and sides with remaining frosting. Decorate with chocolate almonds.

Cookery Recipes

ALL raisins and currants are rich in natural sugar, so they are very helpful in eking out the sugar ration. In addition, these fruits afford concentrated nourishment in a remarkable degree. Here are a few thrifty recipes the family will enjoy.

Steamed Bread Pudding

Have 2 breakfasts soaked bread, 3 tablespoons chopped suet, 2 tablespoons syrup, 1 dessertspoon cocoa, 1 teaspoon cleaned sultanas or currants, 1 egg.

Soaked the bread for at least an hour in hot water. Squeeze out the surplus water and whisk with a fork. Add the other dry ingredients, and stir in the egg beaten with the syrup. Have the mixture fairly stiff, turn into greased basin, and steam steadily 2 hours. Turn out, and serve with custard sauce.

Baked Souffle

We generally think of souffles as luxury dishes, but this one, though delicious, is not extravagant. See that the water is quite cold, keep the windows and doors wide open in the kitchen, and draw the blinds if there is any sun. A glass bottle is cooler than an ordinary rolling-pin for rolling out pastry in hot weather. Jellies take longer to set in the summer unless they can be put in a refrigerator. Add a few drops of lemon juice, a little less water than stated in the directions, and put the mould in a bowl of cold salted water in a draughty place.

Current Shortcake

When you are expecting friends home "on leave," here is a special treat you might give them:—Filling:—4 ozs currants, 1 tablespoon moist sugar, ¼ teaspoon mixed spice.

Cake-mixture:—2 teacups flour, ½ teaspoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon caster sugar, pinch salt, 4 ozs margarine, cold water.

Make the shortcake like shortcrust pastry. Divide into 2 equal portions, and roll each into a round about ¼ inch thick.

Mix the currants with the sugar and spice, spread them over one round of pastry, and distribute the margarine in small pats on top. Damp edge of pastry and cover with second round. Press together, and mark edges neatly with a knife. Place on a floured baking tray, make a few holes in cake with a skewer, brush top over with milk, and bake in a fairly hot oven for 30-40 minutes. Serve hot or cold.

Summer Catering

COLD meat is popular with well-made salads in warm summer weather. If possible, avoid cutting any slices off the hot joint, since valuable juices escape when this is done, and the cold meat loses flavour and nourishment.

During the summer, loaves of bread will keep fresher if they are wrapped up separately in greaseproof paper and laid on an airy shelf—a lathe shelf for preference.

When making pastry in hot weather, choose the early morning or late evening if possible. See that the water is quite cold, keep the windows and doors wide open in the kitchen, and draw the blinds if there is any sun. A glass bottle is cooler than an ordinary rolling-pin for rolling out pastry in hot weather. Jellies take longer to set in the summer unless they can be put in a refrigerator. Add a few drops of lemon juice, a little less water than stated in the directions, and put the mould in a bowl of cold salted water in a draughty place.

THREE styles in evening gowns to suit every taste. Left to right: An ice-blue satin gown on slim-fitting lines; a particularly smart evening gown complete with little bolero. Note the train effect on the gown; the third gown is only suitable for tall slim figures. The gown fits tightly to the figure.

Coffee Cake Muffins

Cream 1½ tablespoons shortening with ¼ cup sugar. Beat 2 egg yolks; add. Mix and sift 1½ cups flour, ½ teaspoon nutmeg, ½ teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons baking powder; add alternately with ¾ cup milk to first mixture. Pour into greased muffin pans. Combine ¼ cup flour, ½ cup brown sugar, ¼ teaspoon cinnamon. Add ½ cup melted butter or margarine; mix until crumbly. Sprinkle crumbs on top of muffin batter. Bake in hot oven (400 degrees F.) 20 minutes. Serve hot. Makes 18.

Junkets, on the other hand, require a warm, sheltered spot to set in. If they are required quite cold, they can be put in cold water or the refrigerator after they have set.



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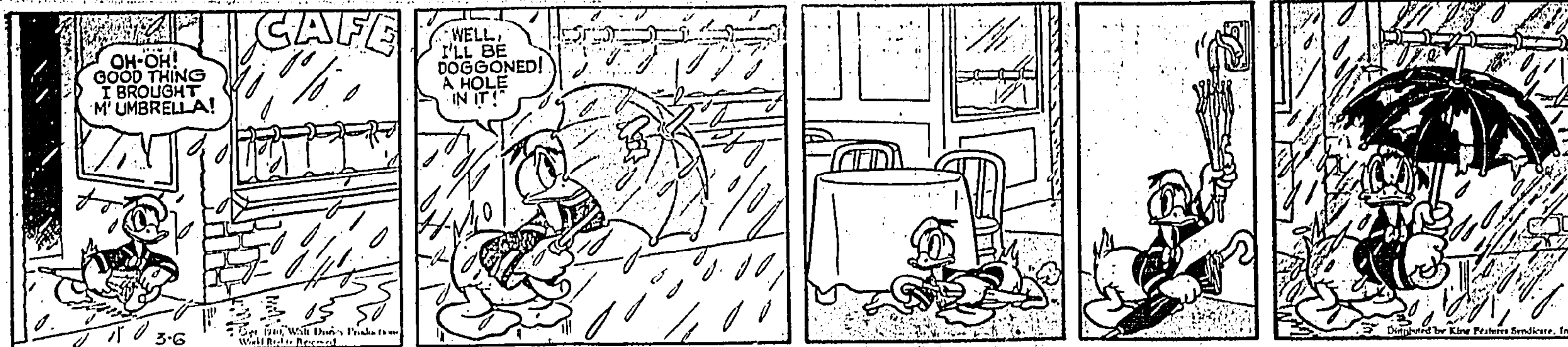
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Royal Air Force Fights Second Battle Of Dunkirk Near Paris

By RICHARD MacMILLAN
UNITED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT
WITH THE R.A.F. IN FRANCE, June 14 (UP).—The Royal Air Force is fighting the Battle of Dunkirk over again to-day to prevent the fall of Paris.

Waves of British machines thundered over the German lines outside the French capital last night and this morning, unloading tons of bombs on enemy columns, ammunition dumps and communications.

Together with the French Air Force, the British pilots slowed down the enemy mechanised units which were working feverishly to throw pontoon bridges across the Seine and Marne rivers.

Incredible Masses

A pilot of a Hurricane told me: "The enemy are advancing on Paris in incredible masses."

"Paris and the entire surrounding district is covered in a haze of smoke, caused by the Germans, who are using smoke screens to cover their advance."

R.A.F. bombers last night caused an enormous explosion at Gisors, where enemy ammunition dumps were blown up.

Fantastic Odds

In one encounter seven Hurricanes fought with eight Messerschmitts. Despite the overwhelming odds, the R.A.F. pilots continued to give battle until the German formations broke. Five enemy machines were brought down in flames.

"We are used to heavy odds now," another pilot told me. "We just wade into them. It was a whirlwind tussle, and every man for himself. You don't get much time to see what is happening to the Hun. When you get him in your sights you just give him a burst where it hurts most."

DAY OF PRAYER FOR FRANCE

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The Archbishop of Canterbury asks that next Sunday be observed in all churches in Britain as a day of prayer for France.

Bridges Faces Deportation

May Be Sent Back To Australia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" WASHINGTON, June 13, (UP).—Harry Bridges, the Australian-born labour leader whom the United States sought to deport by Court action, may be deported by special legislation in Congress.

The House of Representatives, by a vote of 332 to 42, to-day passed a special Act, authorising the deportation of Bridges to Australia. The measure now goes to the Senate.

Hamilton Fish, the Republican Member of the House of Representatives, denounced Bridges as a "symbol of the Fifth Column."

Mr. Marcanonio, Democratic M.H.R., denounces the Bill as "Congress setting itself up against a man."

Bridges was charged variously with being a "communist" and a "labour agitator." He earned the hostility of a certain section of the American public for his organization of waterfront work in the U.S.

Deportation proceedings were taken against him in 1938, but were postponed since he after a test case disclosed that his deportation would have been unconstitutional.

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REYNAUD'S APPEAL

Last Chance U.S. Has Of Helping

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" PARIS, June 14 (UP).—M. Reynaud, the French Premier, broadcast the following message to the world last night: "We have sent another supreme appeal to President Roosevelt to-night."

"Every time I have sent President Roosevelt a message, he has responded generously. This is the last time he can help our tragic battle if there is to be even a far distant hope of victory."

More Squadrons Needed Germany's superiority in the air can be broken only if fresh squadrons arrive from overseas.

"We wanted to be a free Government. This is why we evacuated Paris."

"We did not want Hitler to suppress the legal Government of France and set up a puppet government such as exists nearly everywhere in the lands he has overrun."

"All the sufferings of France must be known to the entire world. The hour has come when all free men on earth must know then. The hour has come for them to repay their debt."

France has the right to tell the great democracies that she is entitled to count on them."

Bill Attacked

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Restrictions Lifted

Frenchmen Exempted From Curfew

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Attention was drawn during question-time in the House of Commons to-day regarding the indignation among Frenchmen in Britain who were recently subjected to the recently issued restrictions which applied to aliens.

Sir John Anderson said that orders had now been issued exempting Frenchmen from the curfew and the use of bicycles, motor-cars, cameras, and field-glasses. These new orders also exempted them from residence in restricted areas.

Immediate consideration was also being given to the position of Frenchmen in relation to the Civil Defence Services, from which aliens are excluded.

Ranchers' Gift To British Soldiers

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Argentine ranchers are sending a gift of beef for the use of the soldiers of England.

Already 2,600 animals have been collected.

COURT MARTIAL AT BARRACKS

Royal Scots Bandsman Accused of Theft

Bdun, Emerson, of the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots, appeared before a Court Martial at the Murray Barracks this morning charged with the theft of a watch or alternatively with receiving stolen property.

Evidence was given that Bdun, Marshall left his wrist watch valued at \$50 on the window sill of the barrack room near his bed at 7 p.m. on June 4, and was listening to the wireless when he missed the watch an hour later. Accused and two others were stated to have been in the room at the time.

On June 5, after a report had been made at the Central Police Station, it was alleged that accused tendered the watch at a pawnshop in Queen's Road East and was detained by the Police.

Hearing was adjourned until the afternoon for the defence to call evidence.

EIRE WILL STAY NEUTRAL

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1.03 Tangos by Emil Reesz. and His Orchestra.
1.30 The Orchestra Ravmonde.

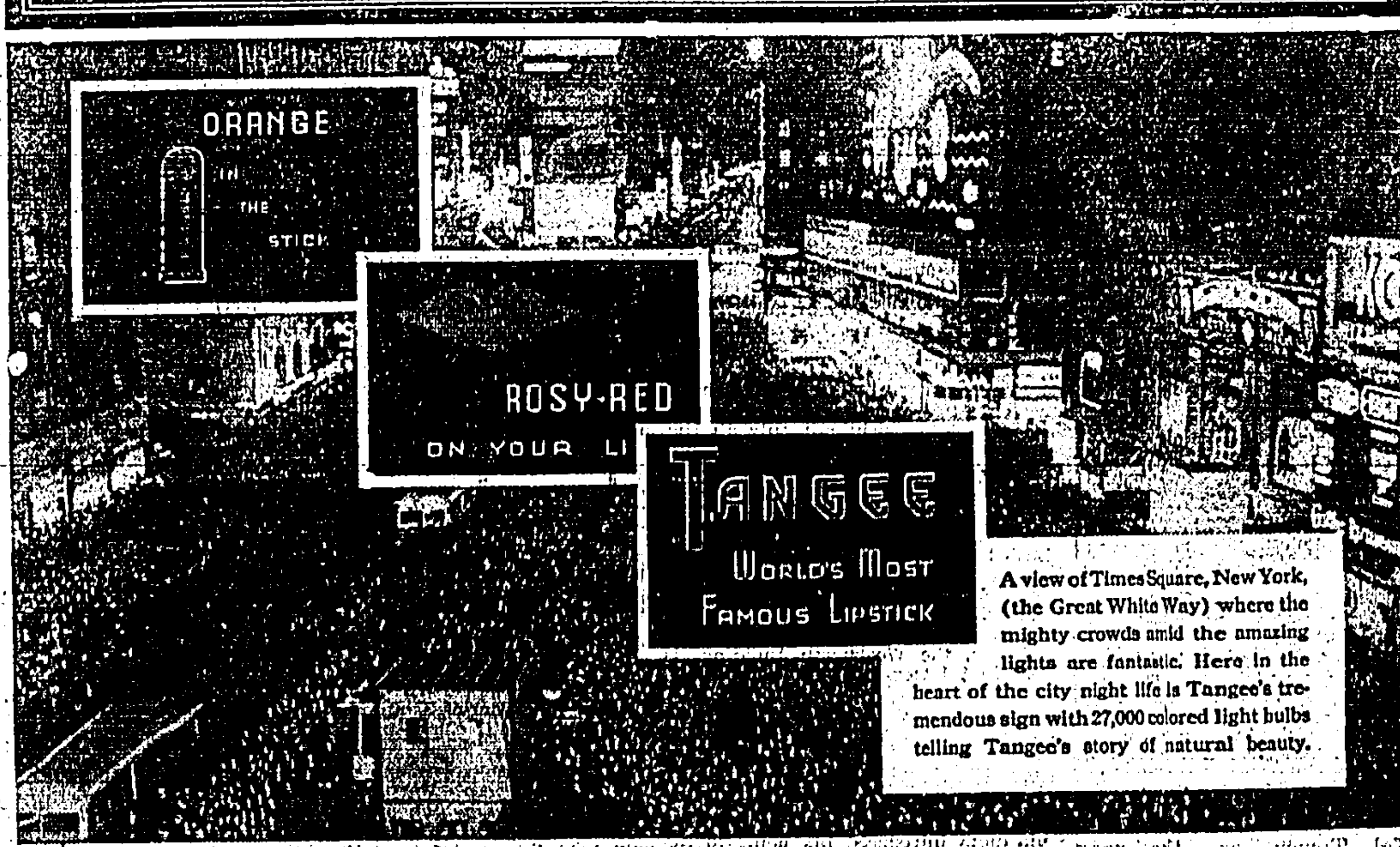
1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 Carrol Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends and the Street Singer.
2.15 Close down.

2.15 An hour of Variety.
7.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.02 Dance Music by Billy Cotton and His Band.
7.30 London Relay—The News.
8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 Studio—Recital by Anne Balfour (Soprano) and John Smith (Piano).

1. Laissez Jouer Jeunes Gens (15th Century); 2. Francien vint l'autre jour (Pierre Bonnet); 3. Menuet d'Exandet (15th Century); 4. Deux Gigue en Rondeaux (Rameau); 5. John Smith at the Piano; 6. (a) Air de Tchaïkov (from "Cassio and Polux-Rameau"); (b) Air de Venus (from "These"; Lully); Anne Balfour with Piano accomp; 7. Three "Mouvements Perpetuels" (Poulenc); 8. Air Chantées (Poulenc); 9. Air Romantique; 2. Air Campanelle; 3. Air Grave; 4. Air VII; Anne Balfour with Piano accomp.
8.30 Tchaikowsky—Capriccio Italian, Op. 45.
8.46 The Don Cossacks Choir in a Russian Programme.
9.15 London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs."
9.45 A Request Classical Programme.
11.0 Close down.

CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—The United States will look after Egyptian interests in Italy, Switzerland will look after Italian interests in Egypt.

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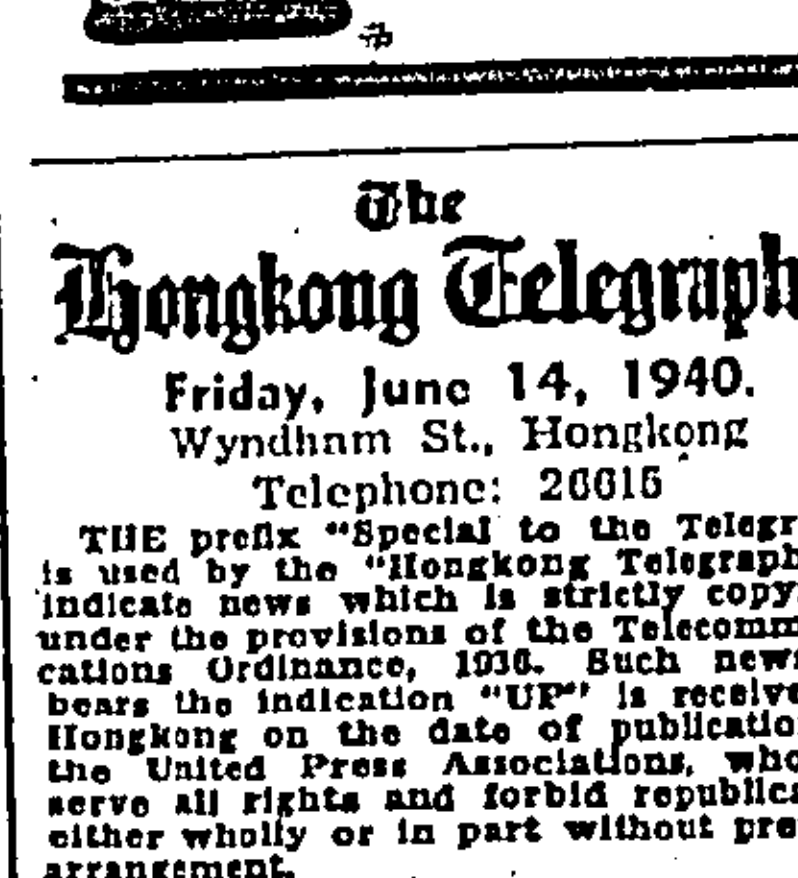
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The Rev. J. R. Higgs and his public spirited supporters, were are happy to note, are losing no time in furthering their initial effort to stimulate Hongkong's interest in the war effort. A second public meeting has been arranged for to-day week, June 21, in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel, at which the public will have opportunity of airing more views on the best and quickest methods of raising funds for the B.W.O.F. We earnestly and heartily commend this meeting to our readers.

It will be seen from the official notice of this meeting, published elsewhere in this issue, that suggestions for increasing Hong Kong's war effort are advanced. For example, funds might be earmarked to provide an aerobically equipped plane, an ambulance, a tank, or a motor torpedo-boat. These ideas are worthy of fuller consideration, for they enjoy the virtue of practicability, taking the discussion from the realm of academic patriotism into the fields of applied action.

We hope too that the second meeting will not only be much better attended than the first, but that several of the suggestions advanced last Friday will again come up for discussion. We are particularly impressed with the proposal for saving newspapers and empty tins. That there is a ready and profitable market for these discarded commodities is indicated by the eagerness with which amahs and cool boys seize to make use of them. Indeed, we are aware that quite fancy prices are being paid for old newspapers and used tins in Hongkong. There is no reason why the B.W.O.F. should not receive the benefit of this market.

Direct service to the All cause may be a trifle difficult offer from this great distance but money we can give, and it seems to be at least one source and convenient method raising some of that money. Few people are aware of the fact that second-hand newspapers imported into Hongkong are sold in China for re-sale for various purposes, chiefly from the United States. Nearly every home in Hongkong subscribes at least one Hongkong newspaper and to one or more English, American or Dominion journals. If even a fraction of these papers were saved, the B.W.O.F. might benefit to the extent of something like \$10,000 a month.

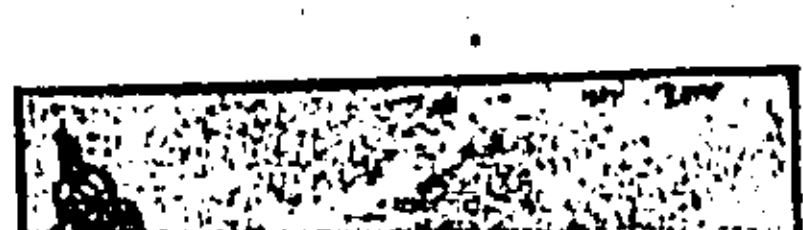
JIBUTI began to be a centre for propaganda just before the war. The Abyssinian—a big stone building—French refused to hand Italians—contained many ans. The answer was the Italian.

Not the answer by a similar device. Consulate, inspected by the colony informed. When one pinned a typewritten statement on the notice board outside its door, word was quickly carried to the other. The result was that a conflicting reply immediately went up on the enemy board.

And in the cafés, bazars, streets there was always a confusion of reports. The strength of it all can be judged by the cable received in London from Jibuti early in October 1935. It said: "Big military concentrations in Abyssinia. Widely believed war will break almost immediately."

The war had been under way three days. . . .

OF course, Mussolini has his reasons for wanting such a place from France. Jibuti is a tough, tight little hazel-a nut wedged in a pair of nutcrackers, the jaws of which are



His tower, for the construction of which 9,000 tons of steel were used, surpassed in height not only all the



The Eiffel

buildings of those days—the Cheong
Pyramid of 474 feet or the Washin
ton Memorial of 507 feet—but it h
held the record till now for the high
est building. The New York skys
craper, the Woolworth Building,
227 feet lower.

It was in March, 1889, when on the highest point of the Eiffel Tower, on the round balcony above the Lantern, a small society of gentlemen gathered for its solemn inauguration.

The Tricolour was hoisted by M. Francois Carnot, son of the then French President; high-waisted top-hats were waved, and Gustave Alexandre Eiffel, the creator of this

The French are chief shareholders in the railway, which is the only one in Abyssinia—the Land of Prester John, as old-time Portuguese wrongly called it—a land as big as Britain, France, Belgium and Holland together.

How France came to occupy French Somaliland makes an interesting tale. The Compagnie Nanto-Bordelaise sent a ship away to buy a port somewhere in the Red Sea. It was as simple as that in those days.

The captain made a treaty with the Danakils of a place called Edd, and paid them £120 for the same. Apparent-ly this was a hitherto uninhabited place, for it was repopulated quietly into the next few years later. Off went the Frenchmen again, and bought a place called Obok from some Danakil of the Adriatic. Dubrovnik, with a great wall sur-rounding it built out into the sea, one of those rare, obstinate cities that will not yield their dependencies to the tourists, except the tourists knows rich by the tourist, yet pre-serves its own life. The tourists live outside the wall, among the plan-

chiefs for \$2,500 in 1902. At the time for twenty years.

It seemed there were possibilities that Abyssinian traders might find an outlet to the sea through another place called Assab in Eritrea, about twenty miles north of Obok. The traders were busy in Assab. The Italians were the French-made treaties

trees and palms and oleanders of the suburbs; the only visitors who shunned the city on equal terms with the citizens are the swiftness with which they screen in the sunlight above the Piazza Kralja, where, among the men and their ladies, all the citizens sit and down when the sun is

with Somali sultans and established the colony, Cote Française des Somalis—French Somaliland. Djibuti's other source of revenue (besides her participation in Abyssinia's trade) is the refuelling of French Messageries Maritimes liners

bound for Indo-China, and any other Red Sea freighters that pop in. Indians seem to monopolize the ordinary commerce in the town. Somalis seem to do the donkey

work. But if I were French or Italian (or Somali), Jibuti is not a place I should willingly fight for. For me, anybody who wants it can have it.

The tower itself became on January 1, 1890, the property of the City of Paris. To-day it is the property of State.

The Eiffel Tower was indeed the great sensation of the World Exhibition of 1889.

The commission which examined the plan, however, thought otherwise. They had full confidence in Eiffel's ability.

But when the public learned about the project a storm of indignation broke in the art circles of Paris. A protest was published which was signed by the leaders of the art

But fate had prepared a high blow for this man who at one stroke had reached world fame. As did

world of Paris of those days. Among others were Maupassant, Sardbu, Huysmans, Sully-Prudhomme, Fran-

In 1892, together with Ferdinand Lesseps and other leading officials of the Panama Society, he appeared at the dock. Although one of the burlesquers of the day pleaded that, because of the day's events, Eiffel was sentenced to years' imprisonment and a heavy fine was imposed on him. A re-trial before the Supreme Court, to prove his complete innocence and that he was liberated.

In the contract which had been signed on January 8, 1887, a subsidy of 1,500,000 francs was granted, and the income from the entrance charges and from the letting of premises in the tower—it held several restaurants and cafes.

of branch office of the "Figaro" and
—a innumerable souvenir stalls—was to

"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

AUSTRALIANS' BEST PERFORMANCES

Far View Collects \$7,323: Ajax Pays Highest Dividend: Brutus Upsets The Daily Double

THERE WAS NO DOUBT that the Australian ponies of this season together with the old creatures played a very important role at the February meeting of five days of racing, because out of an aggregate of 52 events they took part in no less than 21. However, after the Annual Carnival the creation of a "D" class (a new division) for Australian ponies was another trump card of the Stewards, and the problem of spotting the winners at the extra meetings had been rather expensive to the punters.

Apart from the fact that the Australian ponies provided the best events, the highest dividend during the first half was \$281.20 paid by Ajax (Australian sub-griffin of 1939 class) for a win, and the jockey, Mr. S. C. Liang, received the ladies purse for his hard riding. Of course there was another high spot. Brutus the Australian pony, was responsible for the second leg of the daily double at the Whitsun meeting when Mr. Trevorton's chaser bracketed with Smashing Through (the winner of first leg) paid \$1,905 to the delight of four astute mathematicians.

When the Stewards first invited members of the Hongkong Jockey Club to subscribe for Australian ponies, the "R.S.V.P." could be counted on one's fingers and the first batch to race here was not more than 20 subscription ponies.

It is interesting to recall that the first Australian event was run on February 28, 1931, when Woodland Stag piloted by Mr. Quincey won the Sydney Maiden over six furlongs in one minute 25 seconds, and the winner was owned by the late Mr. Chan Tien-sin.

In the following year the subscription list closed with an order for 22 ponies, but for 1933's annual meeting the commitment from the Antipodes dwindled down to almost half, the exact amount being 25 youngsters. Since then the barometer showed a steady increase. Although the shipment was limited to 60 ponies, the dealers delivered one extra for this year's racing, and it may be of interest to know that we will have over 100 for 1941.

THERE was plenty of material in this year's bunch and an interesting aspect of the running of these youngsters was the outstanding performances of Far View and Sapper, both being the descendants of Farr. The former, a mare, went down twice on the post to Sapper, while the latter, a gelding, received two beatings from his sister.

In shape and move, Far View and Sapper are not alike, and the Fremantle St. Leger to be run in November will tell us all about it. Far View is a year younger than Sapper and both of them have plenty room to improve. Far View

CARAVIS has been represented by winners of stakes amounting \$3,150, and the best three were Albury (\$1,250), Sparrow (\$1,300) and Shuttlecock (\$600). They were not the topnotchers, but one must admit that Caravis' offspring are worth having. The other two were not much good. After clipped at the turn in the first section of the Perth Plate, and the chestnut was immediately destroyed on the track. Comedy Star had four outings without collecting a cent.

I WAS very much disappointed with the running of the new stock by Double Court, which was represented by Contact, Finalist, Melody Star, Venus Bay and Winnie.

Although Contact and Melody Star collected \$1,400 each, they did not seem to possess the same blood of the elder ones such as Centre Court, Courting Eve, Derby Day and others.

In fairness to the sire, I must admit that the five juveniles by Double Court were very young, and the mightiest reason for the failure of Contact, Venus Bay and Winnie, all of whom had a blank card.

LUCKY Lady by Excitement appeared three times before the official starter, but the mare made a collection of \$1,550.

It would be criminal to suggest that she was a bag of bones at the Spring meeting, but Lucky Lady was certainly lacking in substance, and that might be the reason for giving her only three outings.

Of the little I have seen, my frank opinion is that Lucky Lady has got the make, shape and pedigree of a St. Leger winner.

AMONG the best of old ponies, Baffin Bay, Courting Eve, Devonian, Lancashire Chips and Lucky Lad and a few of the "B" class were in the limelight at the big meeting, but they seemed to be all at sea when they met the youngsters of this season.

COTTAGE CLUB RIDE

The Cottage Club ride on Saturday, June 15, will start from Lok Ma Chau at 5 p.m. Transport will be provided from the Clubhouse at 4.30 p.m., and ponies will be drawn for as usual.

DIVISION OF THE STAKES

Far View Wins One-Tenth Of The Total

HEREWITH is a complete list of Australian ponies started during the first half, showing at the same time the amount of stakes won, some being without a cent.

A Good Time	\$ 300
A Great Time	300
A Green Time	1,250
Albury	1,250
Alfalfa (shot)	000
Amber II	000
Amicus Curiae	1,810
Annabella	400
A Roaring Time	1,050
Ascot Day	1,650
Australian Diamond	900
Australian Prince	2,400
Baffin Bay	600
Blandford (shot)	1,100
Bredon	1,100
Brown Derby	1,350
Bruno	250
Brutus	250
Burglight	000
Calcutta	300
Champion	600
Chatterbox	250
Centre Court	1,300
Cheerful Star	1,400
Chilren	300
Circus	1,350
Cockle	1,000
Colorado	950
Comedy Star	375
Comet	450
Contact	200
Courting Eve	1,200
Courting Eve	7,323
Derby Day	1,200
Devonian	1,200
Dick Turpin	1,200
Discovery	1,200
Double Pinesse	1,200
Fair Chance	1,200
Far View	7,323
Finalist	1,200
Flying Dutchman	1,200
Forchard Drive	1,200
Franklin	1,200
Grand Allotment	1,200
Happy Landings	300
Hearne	900
Income Tax	1,350
Jungle Princess	1,350
Kitti	1,350
Lancashire Chips	1,350
Lovely Kid	1,200
Lucky Lad	1,550
Lucky Lady	1,550
Maple Star	1,200
Mary Thanks	500
Maple Star	1,400
Melody Star	1,400
Murray River	1,350
Murrumbidgee	1,350
Nancy Lee	1,350
National Victory	1,350
Perfect Day	425
Perola d'Orient	900
Piccadilly Jim	900
Pocoon	900
Powerful Kid	900
Princess Bridge	450
Princess Clare	100
Pumelo	700
Pumpernickel	700
Quick Despatch	700
Radon	700
Rising Star	500
Rooftop	500
Rowan	1,200
Ruby Star	1,050
Sapper	3,821
Schmetterling	1,250
Sea Jay	200
Sea Urchin	200
Shine Again	000
Shuttlecock	000
Snowy River	1,300
Sparrow	000
Springhill	1,000
Strathaird	1,000
Surprise Again	1,550
Sydney Lad	550
Tarzan	550
Teviotdale	850
Tornado Star	200
Triumphant Day	1,400
Twilight Star	1,350
Vanity Fair	1,350
Venus Bay	1,250
Vicory	700
Violet Queen	500
Vixen Tor	500
Warrego River	500
Winfred	500
Winnie	500
Zodiac	500

Second Athletic Meet

KASHIWARA, June 13 (Domest).—Close on the heels of the recently completed athletic meet in Tokyo, another East Asia athletic meet was declared open to-day at the newly-built stadium in the Outer Gardens of the Kashiwara Shrine, sacred to Emperor Jimmu, founder of Japan. At 9.30 a.m. to-day about 700 athletes from the Philippines, China, Manchuria

SURPRISING RESULTS IN HANDICAP EVENTS

THERE HAS ALWAYS been a small band of disgruntled owners, who never seemed to be satisfied with the allotment of weights. Perusing the results of the handicap events during the first half I found to my amazement that those ponies carrying weight for inches as per scale and over had more successes than those that were "let in"—so to speak.

The proportion was 19 events against 15 and it would be advisable to make a note of the weight carriers for future meetings. Hereunder is a list:

Weight for Inches and Over

Pony	Jockey	Height	Weight	Won by
Bendigo H'cap	P. Wei	14.2	155	4 lengths
Cornal H'cap	Hearne	14.2	155	4 lengths
Kara Kara H'cap	Black	14.3	158	5 lengths
Killara H'cap	Hearne	14.3	155	A neck
Benarba H'cap	Hearne	14.2	154	2 lengths
Moonee Ponds H'cap	P. Wei	14.3	158	2 do
Sydney H'cap	Davis	14.3	160	n length
Cabrarnatta H'cap	Poy	14.2	162	2 lengths
Brisbane Spring H'cap	Trevorton	14.3	160	2 do
Hobart Handicap	B. L. Tao	14.3	160	2 do
Broken Hill H'cap	L. B. Chao	14.3	155	4 lengths
Koala Handicap	Nesda	14.3	165	2 do
Canterbury Park H'cap	Franklin	14.3	162	3 do
Warwick Farm H'cap	Franklin	14.3	162	3 do
Whitsun Handicap	Hearne	14.3	163	1 do
Nord Handicap	Black	14.3	165	5 do
Killara Handicap	S. L. Sung	14.2	159	2 do
Moreton Bay H'cap	Proulx	14.3	160	1/2 do

Under Weight for Inches as per Scale

Pony	Jockey	Height	Weight	Won by
Wakool Handicap	S. W. Pan	14.3	136	Short head
Canberra Handicap	Black	14.3	136	Many lengths
Ladies Purse	S. C. Liang	14.2	150	Short head
Atchafalpa H'cap	H. C. Pih	14.3	147	2 lengths
Moonee Ponds H'cap	Black	14.3	150	2 do
Callopie Handicap	Black	14.2	145	1 1/2 do
St. Kilda	Hearne	14.2	150	Short head
Charters Towers H'cap	Davis	14.2	150	Short head
Spencer Handicap	H. S. Chang	14.2	140	Short head
Sharks Bay H'cap	H. C. Pih	14.3	152	2 1/2 lengths
Manly Handicap	H. M. Botelho	14.3	145	A neck
Corvair H'cap	Black	14.2	142	2 lengths
Harvey Bay H'cap	Wei	14.2	145	1 do
Wallend H'cap	T. W. Chattey	14.3	151	1/2 do
Great Blight H'cap	Hearne	14.3	145	Short head

Lawn Bowls Teams For The Week-end

The following teams have been chosen by various clubs for Lawn Bowls League matches this week-end:

CLUB DE RECREIO
"A" v. Kowloon Locks (home).
L. F. Xavier, F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and H. A. Alves.
L. J. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. V. Ribeiro and F. X. Silva.

"B" v. Kowloon C.C. (away).
C. C. Pereira, D. C. Alves, A. P. Guterres and B. Basto.
F. A. Machado, C. H. Basto, C. Roza Pereira and J. Basto.

2nd Division v. Kowloon F.C. (away).
M. F. Alarcon, A. F. Noronha, A. M. Rodrigues and O. P. Remedios.
P. M. N. Silva, J. A. Remedios, C. M. S. Alves and P. Yvanovich.

INDIAN R.C.
1st Division v. Police (home).
J. Hoosen, A. K. Sufialad, A. R. Minu and A. K. Minu.
A. H. Rumjahn, S. Yusuf, M. Y. Adal and A. R. Dallal.

3rd Division v. Prison Officers (away).
A. S. Sufialad, S. A. R. Bux, A. H. Madar and A. M. Wahab.
M. Hassan, A. G. Sufialad, K. M. Rumjahn and A. Bakar.

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.
1st team v. Craggengower (home).
J. Gellatly, J. W. Deakin, L. A. Collyer and J. F. McGowan.
M. E. Purvis, W. J. Durling, M. N. Rakuren and H. E. Strange.

2nd Team v. Kowloon B.G.C. (away).
J. R. Carr, H. Parrott, A. Steven and S. Eccleshall.
C. J. Walker, E. Kirmon, A. B. Allan and W. R. Hillyer.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC R.C.
v. Craggengower C.C. (home).
A. G. Gardner, W. E. Macfarlane, H. S. McKay and A. T. Paul.
A. E. Thibault, C. E. Ghanagan, S. Deacon and J. K. Sloan.

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Baseball

Indians Win Only Game Scheduled

NEW YORK, June 13 (UP).—In the only game scheduled in both the National and American Baseball Leagues, the Cleveland Indians noted out the Detroit Tigers 3-2 in a ten-innings tie to-day.

The scores were:
Detroit..... 2 13 2
Cleveland..... 3 10 1
Battery: Smith, Hemsley.
(Ten innings were played).

Fanling Golf Starting Times

OLD COURSE
9.10 A. C. I. Bowker, A. E. Mackenzie.
9.20 A. D. Humphreys, F. Bathurst.
9.30 A. N. & G. A. A. Macfarlane.
9.40 J. L. C. Fether, M. McCallen.
9.50 G. C. Worrall, K. S. Morrison.
10.00 J. A. D. Morrison, I. H. Geare.
10.10 A. M. Kennedy, G. Carruthers.
10.20 F. E. Anst, H. M. Rowland.

10.30 D. Humphreys, P. M. Cotton.
10.40 R. J. E. Walker, M. Pollock.
NEW COURSE
9.20 R. L. S. Webb, A. A. Bremner.
9.30 Major Mackenzie, Col. Shackleton.

Godiva Wins Oaks Substitute

"LONDON, June 13 (Reuters).—The substitute Oaks, run at Newmarket to-day, resulted.

Godiva (Marks)..... 1
Silver Lace (G. Richards)..... 2
Valeraine (Weston)..... 3
Betting: 7-4 Godiva, 100-8 Silva
Lace, 20-1 Valeraine.

Fourteen ran. Godiva won by three lengths, and four lengths separated Silver Lace and Valeraine. Others: Chambrella (C. E. Smith), Dame Detrefle (Harry Wragg), Golden Penny (Barry), Joan Drake (S. Smith), Manna Wind (Herbert), Nuit de Noce (Dowrey), Olan (Lane), Queen of Shiraz (Smith), Self Portrait (Newitt), Hellicum (Perryman), Drawing Prize (Cliff Richards).

10.00 D. Humphreys, P. M. Cotton.
10.10 R. J. E. Walker, M. Pollock.
NEW COURSE
9.20 R. L. S. Webb, A. A. Bremner.
9.30 Major Mackenzie, Col. Shackleton.

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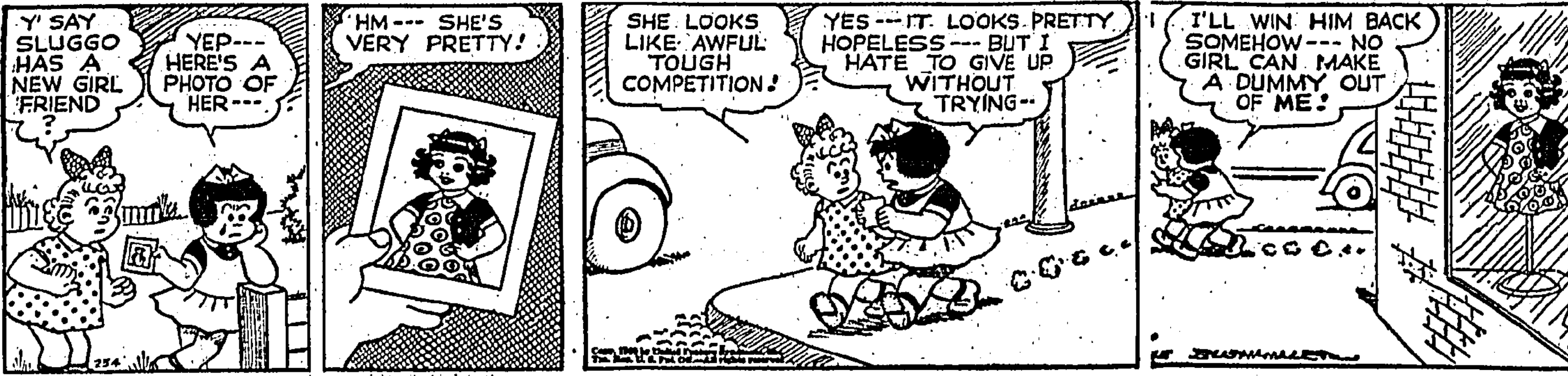
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NANCY



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Italians' Air Attack On Nairobi

ASMARA AND GURA BOMBED BY R.A.F.

CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. yesterday continued their attacks on Italian East Africa, bombing Asmara and Gura.

Direct hits destroyed hangars and buildings. All the aircraft returned.

One enemy fighter was shot down, two more are believed destroyed and a fourth damaged. Blenheim bombers also raided Diredawa. Aerodrome in Abyssinia, scoring direct hits on munition dumps and hangars.

The blaze from a munition dump was visible 30 miles away.

Macaca Also Raided
A further raid was made on Macaca, near Asmara. A fuel dump was set on fire and barracks were extensively damaged.

After three days of continual hammering of Italian military objectives in Libya and Italian East Africa, the R.A.F. have demonstrated that their bombers make straight for their objectives and they have also shot down many Italian fighters.

Air Raids In Africa
NAIROBI, June 13 (Reuter).—A communiqué announces that British Moyale was twice raided by enemy aircraft yesterday.

One African ranker was slightly wounded.

No damage was done.

Active Reconnaissance
The communiqué continued: "In the rest of the northern frontier district and in the coastal area, our machines were active on reconnaissance during Wednesday."

"Wajir was bombed at 0.30 this morning by three high-flying aircraft. Details of the damage are not yet reported but the damage is considered to be slight."

"Two R.A.F. personnel were slightly wounded and one machine damaged."

"No penetration of Kenya territory has yet occurred from the ground, and all it is reported as quiet on the front this morning."

Italian Ships Take Refuge
MADRID, June 13 (Reuter).—A number of Italian merchantmen continue to take refuge in Spanish ports.

The official Spanish news agency reports that a French flying boat has arrived at Valencia where the authorities are questioning the crew.

Egypt's Defensive Policy
CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—Egypt's present policy regarding Italy is purely defensive.

However it is pointed out here that, fully respecting the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, she places herself at the passive disposal of Britain to the extent of co-operation in matters of security and the providing of air, naval and military bases.

These must naturally be considered military objectives and will be liable to Italian attacks.

But if Italy attacks other Egyptian territory or bombs fall on purely Egyptian aerodromes, ports or towns or on civilians, Egypt will be forced to declare war.

Vatican Paper Ceases
ROME, June 13 (Reuter).—The official Stefani Agency denies that the Vatican newspaper, the Osservatore Romano, has suspended publication, and says that the paper appeared as usual this afternoon.

Frontier Skirmish
CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—During a skirmish with Italians on the Egyptian-Libyan border, British troops captured two officers, 60 men and three machine-guns.

There were no British casualties.

Ban Lifted
WASHINGTON, June 13 (Reuter).—A Vatican City message states that the ban imposed by the Italian Government on the "Osservatore Romano" was lifted this afternoon after the newspaper had agreed to omit war news of every kind.

Earlier, the authorities had stated that the paper could not circulate if it continued to publish British, French as well as Italian communiqués.

Theft From Bible Book Depot
Charged with the theft of five books from the Bible Book and Tract Depot, Queen's Building, L. Fong, 33, unemployed, was remanded for 24 hours by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning for finger-prints.

Det. Sgt. T. Cashman said Li was seen leaving the building by a private watchman with the parcel of books under his right arm. When questioned, he admitted stealing the books from the Depot.

The Rev. Frank Scott was the complainant.

NON STOP RAIDS

Fires Rage In Towns Over Wide Belt

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—"Reuters" special correspondent with the R.A.F. somewhere in France telegraphs:

Almost non-stop raiding has been carried out by this week R.A.F. bombers operating in close liaison with bombers from England and the French Air Force. Bridges across the Seine, vital to the enemy's plan of encirclement of Paris, have been the chief objectives.

Fires have been raging in towns over a wide belt from the incandescent aerial bombardment, which, started by the Germans, bombing everything in the path of the advancing enemy, have been continued by Allied aircraft as the Germans pushed forward to occupy the bomb-scarred land.

So incessant have been the attacks that the squadrons engaged had barely time to file reports of results obtained before the towns were refuelled and the deadly bomb racks reloaded before taking off again.

New fighters flown out overnight to strategic bases at once had taken their place with the older ones on the Western Front.

Odd Of 10 To 1

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—An R.A.F. patrol of seven Hurricanes attacked 30 German planes over the battle-field in front of Paris to-day.

They shot down five planes. This battle is particularly noteworthy because the pilots are all from the Auxiliary Air Force which is composed of businessmen who fly for fun during the week-end in peace time.

According to one pilot, however, they are used to heavy odds.

"Even these odds are ten to one," he said, "they just waste in."

All Bridges Destroyed
LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—It is reported that all bridges over the Seine in a 60 mile line from Rouen to Nantes have now been destroyed by Allied bombers.

The enemy mechanised units are trying to build pontoon bridges but are being continuously attacked by our planes.

Bad Weather Conditions
PARIS, June 13 (Reuter).—A French air communiqué issued to-day states that owing to unfavourable weather conditions the activity of the French Air Force has considerably lessened during the past 24 hours.

Squadrons of light bombers attacked German positions, concentrations and lines of communication with bombs and machine-gun fire.

Dropped 1,000 Bombs
LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the first of yesterday's air raids on German communications, medium bombers dropped nearly 1,000 incendiary and many high explosive bombs on the woods at La Mare, where strong forces of enemy infantry and supplies were concentrated.

Large fires were still burning fiercely when further orders arrived to bomb the same target later.

At Saissault, a bomb fell on an ammunition train, causing such a terrific explosion that over half a mile above, the wind-screen of an aircraft was torn off.

SECRET SESSION ON JUNE 20

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The secret session to debate Home Defence, which was postponed on Tuesday, will now be held on June 20, stated Mr. C. R. Attlee, the Lord Privy Seal.

The debate might be wider in scope than Home Defence, according to circumstances.

"There will also be a secret session of the House of Lords on June 20 on Home Defence."

700 Italians Leave Great Britain

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The first trainload of 700 Italians to leave Great Britain left London to-night for Glasgow, where they will embark for Lisbon.

Port Said Arrests
PORT SAID, June 13 (Reuter).—A further 100 Italians have been arrested here.

This brings the total up to 300. The Italian "Militar" has a boat given his passport. He will leave by the first available ship.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

A Munich film has made a carriage which is propelled by gas generated from benzene or analogous material. The motor, which is visible from the outside, is placed in the rear of a three wheeled carriage over the main axle, and the benzene used in its propulsion is carried in a closed copper receptacle secured under the seat, from which it passes, drop by drop, to the generator. The speed of the motor is absolutely under control, and can be regulated by pressing a lever. The speed of about ten miles an hour can be attained.

A new phonograph, said to be much simpler than any other so far introduced, has lately appeared in Milan. It can reproduce music and voice in a most perfect manner, and one of its features is its cheapness, the wax cylinders used costing only 25 centimes.

The alarm siren for men-of-war or harbours, to protect them from the sudden attack of torpedo boats at night, as proposed for use in France, consists of wire supported by buoys placed at intervals of 100 yards. The siren is activated by a break through the line at night a light flares up and discloses its position.

25 YEARS AGO

While a great deal is heard of the reluctance of the Government in placing before the country the whole truth as much of it as may be told without prejudice to our operations—concerning the fighting in the North Sea and the modern on the part of the Admiralty passes without comment, writes a "Globe" correspondent.

We have now been at war nearly three years and the country has not heard a single word from the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet, save for excerpts from letters received by Lady Jellicoe and others sent to donors of clothing. Of the doings of the main fleet we have heard nothing officially since the Admiralty operations in the North Sea and the interest and enthusiasm of the country have been kept in the dark by a report from Sir John Jellicoe summarising the work of the ships under his orders for the first time.

There are other matters concerning which official information is considerably overdue. We were told early in November that the German cruiser, Königsberg, had been blocked in the Humber River "until the end of the war."

It has been said that the "Königsberg" was "after the lapse of another six months no further word about it." It has been said that it was "sunk" in the North Sea.

Again, on March 20 there appeared in the newspapers an account of an action in which the armed merchant ship, Captain J. R. Segrave, was stated to have sunk the German Navara, a 10,000-ton merchant ship.

The Admiralty were prompt enough in announcing the destruction of the Kaiser's ship, yet they have said not a word about the sinking of the Navara.

10 YEARS AGO

June 14, 1930. Jack Hobbs and A. P. Chapman, the captain, were the only two batsmen to make anything like a century stand against the Australians in the first match which started at Nottingham to-day. At the close of play England had 24 runs for the loss of eight wickets.

5 YEARS AGO

June 14, 1935. Italy is seeking to establish a protectorate over Abyssinia, it is learned to-day in authoritative quarters.

James Bradstock, the Jersey Thunderbolt, a year ago a penniless dock labourer and father of a family of four living largely on "relief," is to-day a world's heavy-weight champion. He won against the Australian and the first match which started at Nottingham to-day. At the close of play England had 24 runs for the loss of eight wickets.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, in a speech delivered to-day, said that international armament competition is threatening to become the most dangerous and reckless of rivalries—an arms race.

"We remain unchecked we shall witness national bankruptcies, hopelessly unbalanced budgets and inevitable inflation," he said. "The surest way to maintain stability as has thus far been achieved."

Non-Belligerent Spanish Policy

MADRID, June 13 (Reuter).—Spain's decision to adopt a policy of non-belligerence is published in all newspapers as an official note, presumably on instructions from higher quarters.

The note says that to-day's official bulletin will contain the following decree signed by General Franco:

"With the extension of the war to the Mediterranean by Italy's entry into the war with France and England, the Government has decided on a non-belligerence of Spain in the conflict."

PROHIBITION OF EXPORT

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—As a result of Italy's entry into the war, the Board of Trade has made an order whereunder the export of all classes of goods to Bulgaria, Greece, Hungary, Rumania, Rumania, Switzerland, Yugoslavia and the Black Sea ports of the U.S.S.R. has been prohibited except under licence.

Evacuation Precaution

Necessity Emphasised In The Commons

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Minister of Health, in the course of the debate on evacuation, said there were two quite different reasons for which evacuation of a large part of the population of an area might take place.

Firstly an area might become an area of actual military operations in which our forces are engaged against the enemy. Should that take place, any person still left after the evacuation would be in a very dangerous situation by remaining where they were not crowding the roads as refugees.

Secondly large industrial areas are likely to be targets for enemy attacks from the air. These places have their defences but there will be greater safety in dispersal.

Opposed To Compulsion
With regard to general evacuation from the evacuated areas, the Government was against compulsion.

Firstly, the Government could not give a guarantee that evacuees would be safe. Secondly, scores of thousands of parents would refuse to be separated from their children in this time of anxiety.

Any attempt at compulsion would mean that thousands of Police would be taking parents to prison. There were limits to which the Government could go and they would have to abide by the voluntary principle.

Dominions' Offer
LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Miss Florence Horsburgh, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Health, replying to the debate on evacuation, said they had now the chance of areas not connected to this country—the Dominions and the United States.

They had been considering how best they could reply to these generous offers.

It had been suggested that if children were sent to the United States, it would only be those whose parents could afford to send them by air.

"In a very few days," Miss Horsburgh said, "it may be made clear to those who wish their children to go beyond these islands, that they will be given the opportunity, and that it will not be only those who can afford to send their children who will be the only ones to send them."

Workers Give Up Holidays

Magnificent Response By British Labour

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. Ascheton, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, reported that there has been a magnificent response to the Government request for a general postponement or cancellation of the holidays during the crisis.

This has been requested so that there will be no interference in the production of munitions.

It will also leave transport as free as possible for evacuation and civil defence needs.

Must Not Slacken
Mr. Ascheton further declared that the production of munitions has been greatly accelerated.

"But we must beware," he added, "of any slackening. As far as is humanly possible we must continue for some time to come at the same high pressure."

Nevertheless arrangements would be made to provide rest periods.

MURDER CHARGE WITHDRAWN

Charges of murder and robbery against Cheung Chai-on, waste-food dealer of 181 Connaught Road West, were withdrawn to-day at the Southern District Court.

Cheung Wah-sing, 29, fisherman, and Cheung Shi-shun, 25, junk-master both of Cheung Chai-on, were remanded on similar charges until June 21. They were alleged to have robbed Fung Lan-lee of \$89 and murdered a woman, Fung Tai-mui, on board a boat at Cheung Chau on June 5.

Inspector E. R. Whelan appeared for the prosecution, Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho for the defendants.

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Buenos Aires Police Arrest 43 People

BUENOS AIRES, June 13 (Reuter).—It is now learned that 43 people have been arrested in connection with an explosion on board the British ship Gascony.

The explosion took place here on Wednesday. One man was killed and four were injured.

The ship was set on fire by the explosion.

The explosion is believed to have been caused by time bombs. The Gascony, of 4,700 tons, was loading a cargo of canned beans. The explosion occurred when a sling was being lowered into the hold.

REPATRIATION FROM ITALY

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State, said that ample facilities were being arranged for the return of British "nationals" from Italy to Britain and her Dominions, Colonies and protectorates.

He added that financial assistance will be provided where necessary.

CHUNGKING'S WORST RAID

CHUNGKING, June 13 (Reuter).—Thousands of people are fleeing after the heaviest Japanese air raid ever suffered by China's war-time capital.

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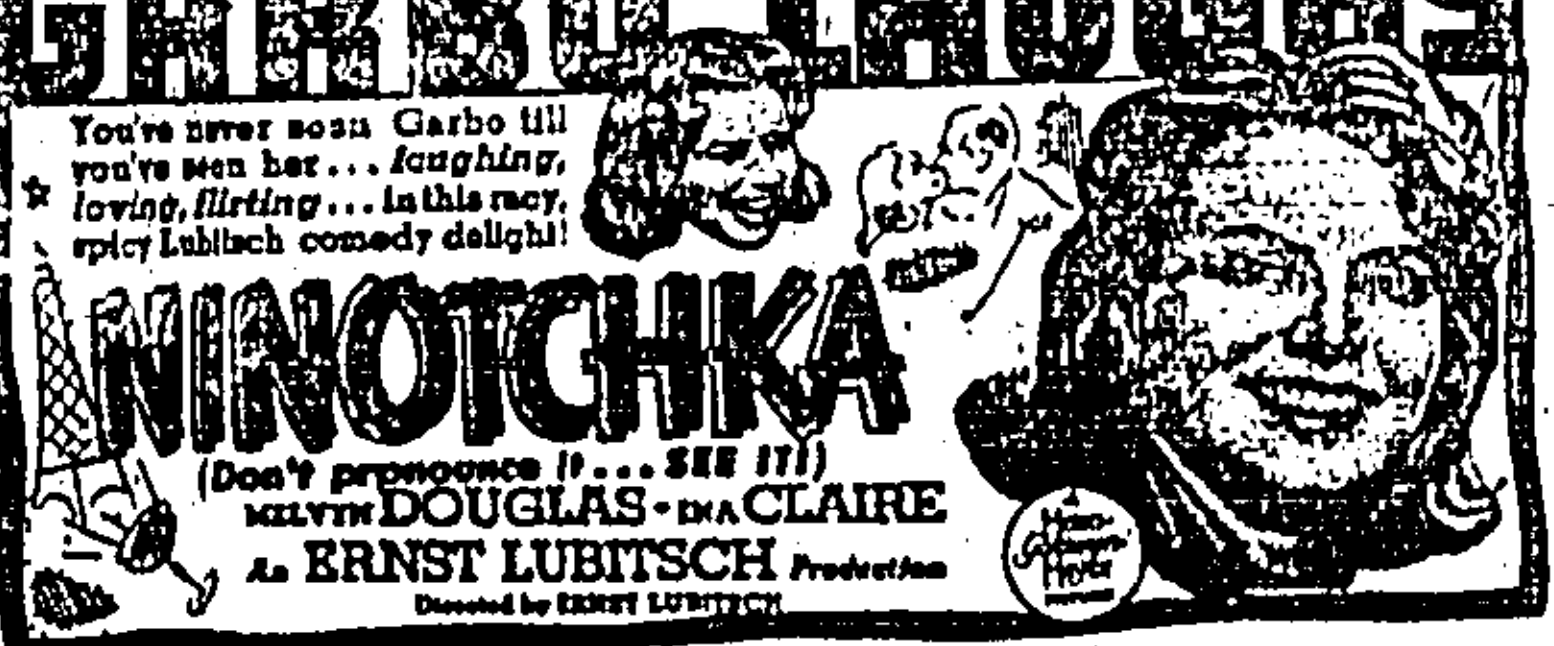
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STOCK EXCHANGE EASIER

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, early firmness was not maintained owing to the extreme quietness of trading, but all-day holdings recovered to about the opening levels. Most of the other groups showed small net losses. Wall Street was higher.

Canadian Defence Minister Named

OTTAWA, June 13 (Reuter).—Col. the Hon. J. L. Ralston, Canadian Minister of Finance, has been appointed as Minister of National Defence in succession to the late Mr. Norman McLeod Rogers, who was killed in an aircraft crash. Colonel Ralston is continuing in his present position, however, until the Budget is presented next week.

LATE NEWS

CITY MURDER SALESMAN'S GRAPHIC STORY

The salesman in Messrs. Sennet Freres who, although "frightened," ran towards the alleged bandit and pinned his arms behind his back during the sensational hold-up in the well-known city jewelry establishment on May 2 told his own story at the Central Magistracy this morning when the charge of murder was resumed against Li Hung-fu.

Li, aged 20, is charged before Mr. R. Edwards with the murder of Mr. J. Dubois, Manager of Sennet Freres, who was mortally wounded during the hold-up.

Mr. L. D. Walsh, Proprietor of Messrs. Sennet Freres, was the first witness to give evidence to-day. He said that Mr. Dubois had been Manager of the Hongkong branch since 1937. Witness identified two rings in Court as the property of the firm. One ring, he said, was on consignment for a customer.

Witness received two bullets from Ng, a salesman in the employ of the firm, on May 3. He handed them to Sgt. J. Allen, of the Police.

Saleman's Story

There was a stir of excitement in the crowded court when the next witness, Ng Kau-chak, entered the witness-box. He told the court he had been employed as a salesman at Sennet Freres for four years.

"At about 5.15 p.m. on May 2, I was sitting by the counter with my back to the Gloucester Arcade," he said.

"Mr. Dubois was sitting at his desk, facing Pedder Street, talking to a friend. Another salesman was gathering some jewelry from a show window.

"My attention was attracted by this salesman running behind me.

"I heard someone say in Cantonese: 'Don't move.'

"He fired at me (pointing to accused).

"He took some rings from the left show window with his free hand, meanwhile pointing his gun at us with his right hand.

"I became frightened and retreated. Mr. Dubois and his friend walked towards us. I then started forward and placed my arms around the robber's arm from behind him.

"He still held the gun in his right hand and I forced him against the show window.

"When he saw Mr. Dubois coming towards him he fired. Then Mr. Calderara jumped on him and we pinned him down.

"Mr. Dubois fell to the ground."

Asked To Spare Citizens

WASHINGTON, June 13 (Dornel).—An ardent plea for human welfare in case Paris capitulates has been made to the German Government by Mr. William Bullitt, American Ambassador to France, according to an announcement by the U.S. Department of State.

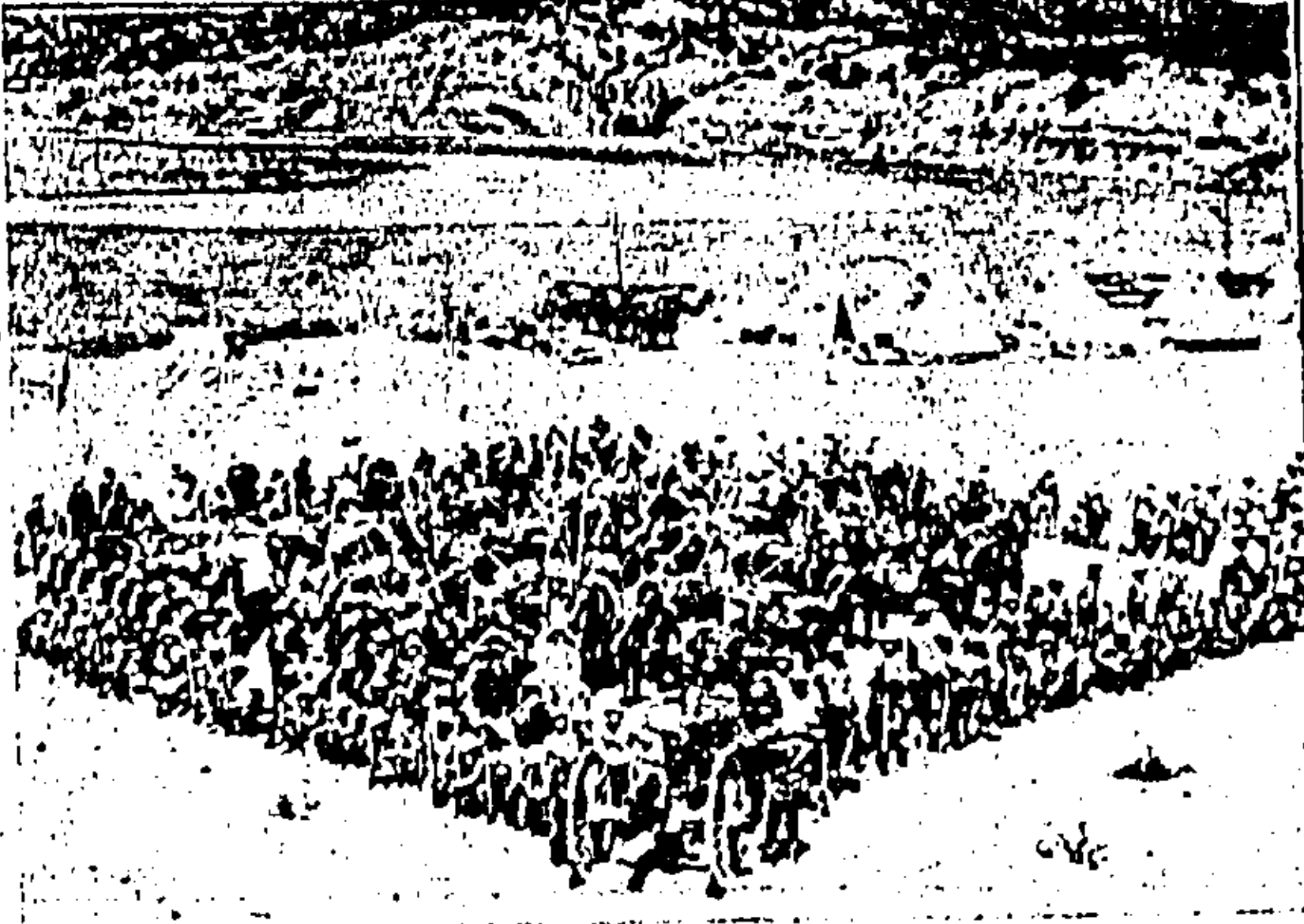
Mr. Bullitt's plea to the German Government states that following the announcement that Paris has become an Open City, the French forces are withdrawing and active efforts are being made by other French authorities for peace and order as well as for the protection of life and property in Paris.

Pointing out that the newly-appointed military governor of Paris has no army but only gendarmes and fire brigades, Mr. Bullitt stated that in case Paris capitulates it is hoped that all lives will be spared.

It was added that the plea is made by the personal request of the new French Military Governor of Paris.

German Operations Completed in Norway

BERLIN, June 13 (Dornel).—Herr Hitler announced to-day that the German military operations in Norway have been completed with the surrender of the Norwegian army and the withdrawal of the Allied forces from Norway.



The well-known hollow battalion square, illustrated in photograph above from the film "The Light That Failed" was introduced, strangely enough, by the Germans, in the war against Austria in 1740—two centuries ago. At that time it represented that most modern method of defence, being considered impregnable almost up to the time of Waterloo. It was employed extensively by the British forces, especially in Egypt, the Sudan and India. The method, now used again by Britain to defeat the new methods of warfare used by the Germans, was vividly illustrated in the films "The Four Feathers" and "The Light That Failed."

Square Formation To Protect All Sides

Old Defence Technique As Answer to Germans

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Swift moving tanks and parachute jumpers have brought back the old British "square" into modern warfare, writes an "eye-witness" with the British Army in France.

REICH-TURKEY AGREEMENT

BERLIN, June 13 (Reuter).—The official news agency announced to-night that an agreement has been reached for an exchange of goods with Turkey to the value of 21,000,000 Turkish pounds.

It is added that the agreement will be signed within the next few days.

Speculation Aroused SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ANKARA, June 14 (Dornel).—Considerable speculation has been aroused by the signing in Ankara of a new trade agreement between Turkey and Germany.

The new agreement provides for an exchange of commodities to the maximum of 22,000,000. Diplomatic observers are paying considerable attention to this agreement in view of the existing pact of Mutual Assistance between Turkey, Great Britain and France, under which Turkey is bound to come to the assistance of the Allies if they are engaged in hostilities in the Mediterranean.

Italy's entry into the war should render this pact operative against Germany, although not necessarily against Turkey.

SNATCHED \$500 BUT CAUGHT

For snatching a parcel containing \$500, a cheque on the Bank of China for \$450 and a Pass book, Lam Ming, 18, unemployed, was given four months' hard labour by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Sgt. P. O. Gullid said when Su Pik-tsui, 20, a shop assistant, was walking along Bonham Strand West with a parcel tucked to his side, Lam ran past him and snatched the parcel. A private watchman gave chase and arrested Lam. The money was recovered.

For returning to the Colony after he had been expelled for five years, Lam was given another six weeks' hard labour.

DEATH

BOTELHO. Suddenly on Thursday, June 13, 1940, in Tientsin, Pedro Vicente Botelho, dearly beloved husband of Maria R. de Botelho, age 62 years.

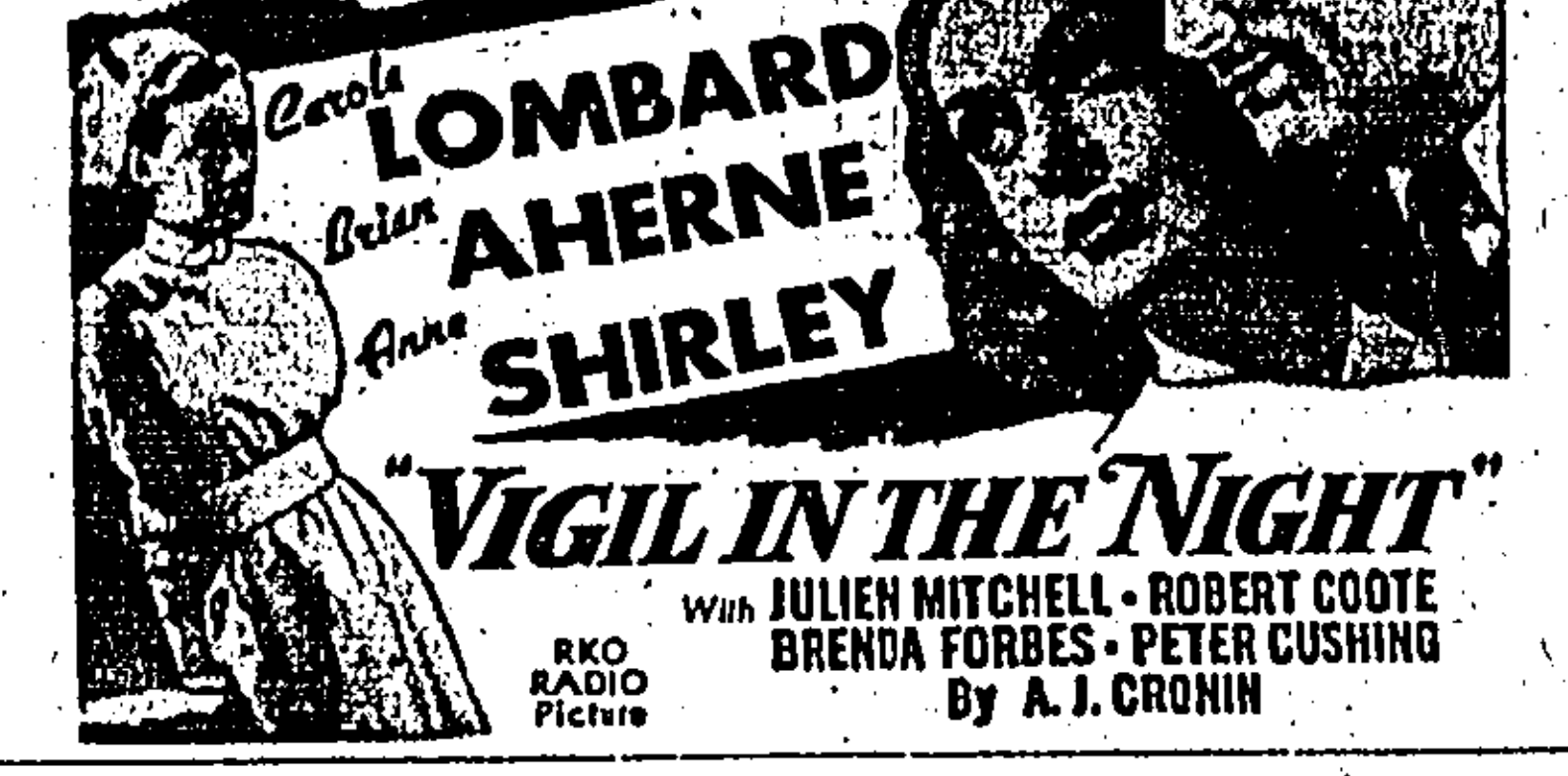
SHANGHAI, June 14 (Reuter).—M. Henry Cosme, the French Ambassador, is leaving Shanghai for Peking on June 16 for his summer vacation, reports the "Sin Wan Pao."

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IMMEDIATE SURRENDER ONLY ALTERNATIVE TO DESTRUCTION, SAY NAZIS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

Despite the declaration by France that Paris has been proclaimed an Open City and that all troops have been withdrawn and defences abandoned, the German High Command has decided to send a radio ultimatum, demanding the immediate surrender of the city.

The city, says a "Domei" message from Berlin, will be reduced to ashes unless the French immediately comply with the German demand.

NAZI WARNING OF FATE

The High Command quotes the fate that overcame Warsaw and Rotterdam when they refused to surrender.

The German Government admits the receipt of the report through the U.S. Ambassador that Paris is now an open and undefended city, but refuses to state whether the German High Command will accept this French notification.

Defence Of Paris Reaches Crisis Stage

250,000 battle on 20-mile front, give no quarter

BY MILES HANDLER

United Press War Correspondent

WITH THE PARIS DEFENDERS, June 14 (UP).

—The Defence of Paris has reached the crisis stage.

Entrenched in the last remaining line between the capital and the invaders, the defenders are to-day meeting an attack that has had no parallel even in the early days of the German offensive.

Last night's late communication clearly indicated that even stronger enemy mechanised units have crossed both the Seine and Marne, and they are now converging on Paris from four directions.

A quarter of a million men—180,000 Germans and 70,000 Frenchmen—are now jammed in a narrow 20-mile front between Senlis and Betz, where neither side is giving or asking quarter.

The casualties are colossal.

COLOSSAL CASUALTIES

Senlis, which is on the Paris-Solissons Railway, is 22 miles north of the capital. Betz is a small railway town between the Oise and Our Rivers.

Along the twenty mile front between these two towns is concentrated the flower of the French Army and the Paris garrison.

Outnumbered five to two and overwhelmed by the superiority of the German mechanisation and air force, the French line is being pierced in a living hell of shell and steel.

Panzer Cross Marne
An equally violent battle is raging east of the capital, where the enemy's Panzer units have crossed the Marne between Chateau Thierry and Dormans, and are now advancing southwards in the direction of Montmirail, the railway junction city on the Petit Moru River.

Other armoured divisions have crossed the Marne near Epervier and are advancing along the south bank towards Chalons, capital and one of the principal railway centres of the Marne Province.

Counter-Attack By Chinese

CHUNGKING, June 13 (Reuters).—A Chinese military spokesman states that the Chinese have launched a heavy counter-attack north-east of Ichang and are attempting to seize a crossing on the Han River to solve the Japanese retreat.

Earlier, it was reported by both "Domei" and "United Press" that the Germans would ignore the French claim that Paris had been rendered an open city, and would demand the immediate capitulation of the capital on pain of destruction.

This procedure was adopted by the Germans in Poland when Warsaw was surrounded.

Refusal of the Warsaw garrison to surrender led to the destruction of the Polish capital. "The fate of Paris depends entirely upon developments," a Nazi spokesman said in Berlin this morning.

No Troops Left In City

It is officially announced in Washington the U.S. diplomatic intermediaries have informed the Reich Government that all French troops have been withdrawn from Paris and that the city is now completely undefended.

The Paris garrison and its Commander are understood to have left the city for an unspecified front.

Capture Imminent, Claim

The German High Command claimed last night that the capture of Paris was imminent.

The opinion is expressed in Berlin that General Weygand will not find time to go to Paris.

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COURT-MARTIAL AT BARRACKS

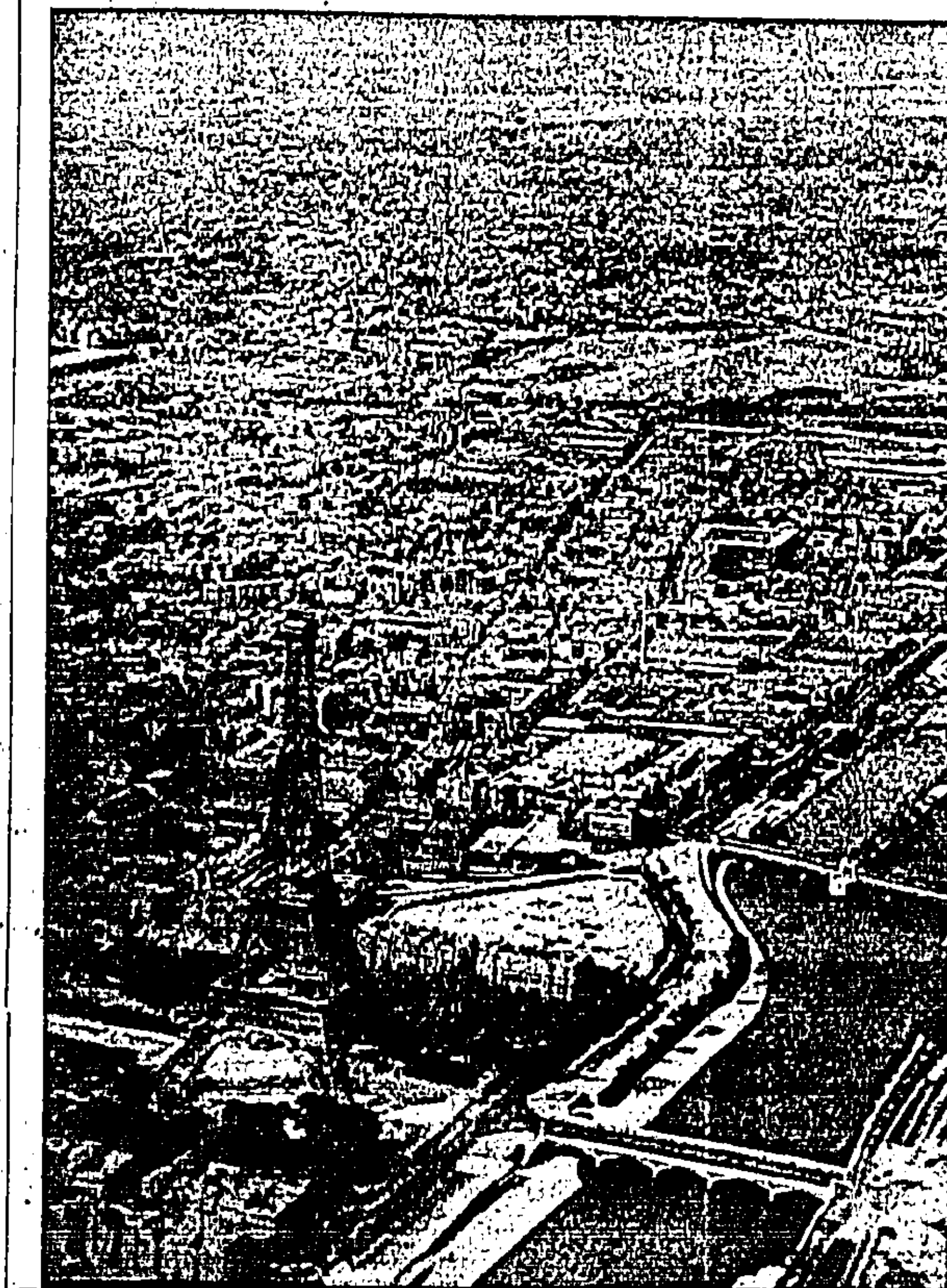
Royal Scots Bandsman Accused of Theft

Bdsm. Emerson, of the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots, appeared before a Court-Martial at the Murray Barracks this morning charged with the theft of a watch or alternatively with receiving stolen property.

Evidence was given that Bdsm. Marshall left his wrist watch valued at \$50 on the window sill of the barracks room near his bed at 7 p.m. on June 4, and was listening to the wireless when he missed the watch an hour later. Accused and two others were stated to have been in the room at the time.

On June 5, after a report had been made at the Central Police Station, it was alleged that accused tendered the watch at a pawnshop in Queen's Road East and was detained by the Police.

Hearing was adjourned until the afternoon for the defence to call evidence.



GREAT BATTLE THAT ENDED ON NINTH DAY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE MARCH, 1871, GERMAN TROOPS TO-DAY ENTERED THE GATES OF PARIS.

The great capital of the French Republic fell to the enemy at 7 a.m. (3 p.m. to-day Hongkong Time).

First news of the greatest tragedy of the war came from the American Ambassador, Mr. William Bullitt, who cabled the State Department in Washington, stating that the "German Army was inside the gates of Paris."

CITY QUIET

Mr. Bullitt added that the city was quiet.

First news of the fall of Paris was received in Hongkong from "Domei's" Washington Bureau, which flashed an urgent message (published in our Final Edition) at 4.15 p.m., stating that the German vanguard had commenced the entry into the city.

This news was confirmed by "United Press" at 5.45 p.m.

UNDEFENDED CITY

Since yesterday morning Paris has been an open and undefended city, the entire garrison being withdrawn in order to save the capital from destruction.

By last night the only forces remaining in the city under the command of the Garrison Commander were a few gendarmes and auxiliary fire fighters.

The German attack on Paris was launched from four directions, the enemy entering the city from the south-west along the southern bank of the Seine.

Practically the entire populace had deserted the city before the Germans entered.

As the Germans marched through the streets they entered a city of death.

There were no spectators to witness their triumph, those of Paris's populace who remained behind staying behind the shuttered doors and windows of their homes.

Story Of The Battle

The great Battle for Paris opened on June 5—nine days ago—along the entire front from the Channel at Abbeville to the Meuse near Montmedy. The major attacks were launched towards the Seine from Abbeville and towards Soissons.

By June 9 the Germans had penetrated to the outskirts of Rouen, and had dented the French lines at Montdidier and Soissons, forcing a general withdrawal.

The threat to Paris became critical on the following day, when Panzer units broke through between Rouen and Bapaume and between Noyon and Soissons.

Thereafter, the Germans struck with all their force along the Oise and Seine Rivers, culminating in the entry into the city this morning.

German Operations Completed in Norway

BERLIN, June 13 (Domei).—Hitler announced to-day that the German military operations in Norway have been completed with the surrender of the Norwegian army and the withdrawal of the Allied forces from Norway.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR FRANCE

LONDON, June 13 (Reuters).—The Archbishop of Canterbury asks that next Sunday be observed in all churches in Britain as a day of prayer for France.

Haile Selassie's Standard raised near Ethiopia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, June 14 (UP).—International circles—

presumably the League of Nations—are about to constitute a new Abyssinian Government headed by Emperor Haile Selassie.

It is believed that this Government will be proclaimed as the legal government of Ethiopia.

WAR IN AFRICA

INITIATIVE BY ALLIES

Daring British Raid On Libyan Frontier

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, June 14 (UP).—In a daring raid carried out by British troops under cover of darkness, British patrols took the initiative against the Italians on the Libyan frontier last night.

The British patrol crawled across the night-cooled sands of the desert to the barbed-wire barricades which the Italians have constructed along the 250-mile frontier.

In addition to cutting through the enemy's barrier, the British captured several Italian and native prisoners. Simultaneously, the British and South African air forces are continuing their air raids on Italian possessions.

Diredawa Bombod
Blenheim bombers yesterday attacked Diredawa aerodrome, scene of one of the fiercest battles in the Turn to Page 2, Fourth Column

Ethiopian tribesmen, who have been waiting three years for an opportunity to strike back at their aggressors, are rallying at many points on the Kenya, Sudan and British Somaliland frontiers, under the command of the former tribal chiefs who served under the Negus.

With modern arms, these tribesmen are now joining the Allied operations against the 250,000 Italian and Eritrean troops in Ethiopia.

Haile Selassie's Standard now flies again over the native armies led by Fiturari Birru, who has temporarily assumed command.

INHERITANCE TAX IMPOSED

SHANGHAI, June 14 (Reuters).—All Chinese whose movable property has been transferred from the interior to Shanghai are liable to a payment of inheritance tax to the Chinese Government from July 1, 1940, stated the "Sin Wan Pao."

EIRE WILL STAY NEUTRAL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ROME, June 13 (UP).—Eire has notified Italy that she intends to remain neutral.

LATEST

BERLIN, JUNE 14, 10 A.M. (S. P.M. H.K.T.). IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED BY THE GERMAN HIGH COMMAND THAT THE VANGUARD OF THE GERMAN ARMY MARCHED INTO PARIS SHORTLY AFTER DAWN THIS MORNING. THE CITY IS QUIET AND NO OPPOSITION WAS ENCOUNTERED. (United Press message)

TOURS, June 14, 10 A.M. (S. P.M. H.K.T.). IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT THE FRENCH HIGH COMMAND HAS RENOUNCED THE DEFENCE OF PARIS IN ORDER TO SAVE THE CITY FROM DESTRUCTION.

The French forces are now retreating on both sides of the city. They are scrupulously avoiding the city itself in order not to compromise its Open City status.

The French are retreating from the positions so gallantly defended along both the Marne and the Seine.

The first Germans to enter Paris came from the south-west. Others are proceeding down the Oise.

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Why Italy Will Lose In The Air

Our Pilots & Planes Are Superior

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The strength and capabilities of the Italian air force formed the subject of a short talk from Daventry to-night by Mr. Oliver Sturt.

One thing above all which must be kept in mind in trying to weigh up the air situation, he began, was the importance of not under-estimating the enemy's strength. He proposed to work on the lines that it was very great and then see what we would do about it.

The R.A.F. was already striking at the Italians at points over a great area stretching from Eritrea to Switzerland, including Libya and Northern Italy. It was important to note that R.A.F. planes based at England had bombed military objectives at Tunis.

The South African air force was also playing its part.

Before Italy came into the war, a large number of R.A.F. planes were immobilised by the threat of Italian intervention. They could not be used on the Western Front because at any moment they might be wanted further east.

Italy's decision to come into the war had now released them and they could now take effective action.

With what aircraft Italy will try to reply? Italy has a great variety of machines of different types, some of them very well developed indeed. But although they are some of the standard performances, the planes of the main body appear to be of an inferior technical quality to that of the Allies.

The Italians are reported to be using the Fiat biplane as one of the main fighter types. Their bombing planes seem to be chiefly Savoia-Marchetti, which are really obsolete.

They have a few very advanced planes which were built for record-breaking purposes.

Schneider Cup History
Their skill in these is acknowledged. But between record-breaking planes production and production of quantity for air force use, there is a wide gulf.

How about pilots and mechanics? He went to Venice in 1927 to see the Schneider Trophy race and was very impressed by the daring of the Italian pilots, who accepted considerable risks.

The British team acknowledged this during the race. But during alone does not win races or wars. The Italians were defeated then and again at Calshot in 1929 and 1931.

Our own pilots are equal to accept risks with equal cheerfulness but behind this was a backing of sound technical training. At the same time, the Italians have had considerable war experience both in Abyssinia and Spain.

Concluding, Mr. Sturt said he spoke with great caution, as one must at the present phase, but he thought that the indications were fairly satisfactory and that in all probability the R.A.F. would be able eventually to deal satisfactorily with the Italian air force.

ROOSEVELT'S RESPONSE

WASHINGTON, June 13 (Reuter).—It was stated at the White House to-day that President Roosevelt's speech given at Charlottesville on June 10 is considered a complete answer to M. Paul Reynaud's request for assistance by the United States.

It is added that M. Reynaud's cable was not delivered until after President Roosevelt's return from Charlottesville. It was only by a coincidence that the President's speech was so completely to the point.

Doing Everything Possible.
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
WASHINGTON, June 13 (UP).—President Roosevelt has replied to M. Reynaud's appeal.

The United States, he declared in his reply, is doing everything possible to place its material resources at the disposal of the Allies.

Mr. Stephen Early, the President's Secretary, authorised the following statement to-night: "The text of M. Reynaud's statement has been received. Everything possible is being done to forward supplies to France."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

APOLOGY

On the 12th of June, 1940, we published a report dealing with the closure of Italian businesses in Hongkong, at the conclusion of which we stated as follows:—

"The other business firms run by Italians such as and Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., are also being watched and closed by the Authorities."

We hereby admit and agree that Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Co., Ltd., registered in England, and its subsidiaries, Marconi (China) Ltd., registered in Hongkong, and Marconi International Marine Communication Co. Ltd., registered in England, are British companies entirely managed and controlled by British subjects and are not in any way whatsoever Italian businesses or managed or controlled by Italians. We also admit that there is no truth whatsoever in the statement that these companies are being watched and closed by the Authorities.

We hereby tender our deep apologies to these Companies for these false and damaging statements and unreservedly withdraw such statements.

We also deeply regret that any such statement should have appeared in our papers.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 17th day of June, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale: 2. Registry No.: 438. Locality: Cheung Sha Wan. Boundary Measurements: 100 feet by 100 feet. Area: 10,000 sq. feet. Annual Rent: \$114. Upst. Price: \$2,500.

As per sale plan.

As a result, an agreement was arrived at between the Company and the Asia Life, whereby 4,000 of the preference shares were to be converted into debentures to be lent back to the Company and the remaining 1,000 to be reduced to the status of ordinary shares. The debentures were payable until 1900.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale: 1. Registry No.: 429. Locality: To Kwa Wan. Boundary Measurements: 100 feet by 100 feet. Area: 10,000 sq. feet. Annual Rent: \$68. Upst. Price: \$2,750.

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INITIATIVE BY ALLIES

FROM PAGE ONE

Ethiopian War. They scored direct hits on a munition dump, which blew up with a terrific explosion.

Italy's effort on the war on both sides of the Mediterranean have so far been perille.

The Allies are obviously attempting to draw Italy into operations as far as possible from the European theatre.

Italians Isolated
Italy's most vulnerable possessions are along the Red Sea and Indian Ocean, and the first operations have begun in Somaliland, and not Eritrea.

The French railway to Aden has been cut and the coaling port of Djibouti (terminus of the railway) has been isolated.

The Italians in Ethiopia can communicate with the outside world only by motor road to Eritrea.

East African Communiqué
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
NAIROBI, June 13 (UP).—The following is the text of the East African Allied command:

"Three enemy aircraft at 0.30 a.m. on Wednesday and again in the evening raided British Moyale.

"The R.A.F. personnel in the first raid but no damage was caused and one African soldier was slightly wounded. No damage was reported from the second raid.

"Three enemy aircraft bombed Wajir at 0.30 a.m. on Thursday. Details of damage have not yet been reported. Two R.A.F. personnel were slightly wounded and one British machine was damaged.

"On the night of Tuesday and Wednesday enemy aircraft were heard and the air raid alarm was sounded at Nairobi.

"The warning lasted from 10.20 p.m. to 12.30 a.m. but it was a false alarm.

"Otherwise in the northern frontier district and in the coastal area our machines were active carrying out reconnaissance flights on Wednesday.

"There has been no untoward land activity so far and all was quiet on the front this morning."

R.A.F. Raids
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
LONDON, June 14 (Dome).—R.A.F. bombers on Wednesday blew up the military goods storages and barracks of the Italian forces at Asab in Eritrea. Italian territory, and magazines in the vicinity of Adowa in Ethiopia, according to an Air Ministry communiqué issued to-day.

Italians Raid Aden
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
ADEN, June 13 (Dome).—Italian aircraft at 9.30 o'clock on Wednesday evening again before dawn broke out at 9.30 o'clock on Thursday morning raided Aden, but except that five or six Arabs were killed or wounded, no further damage is reported.

One of the Italian raiders was shot down.

NAZI HIGH COMMAND
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It is impossible to maintain a continuous front and to carry out an orderly retreat to the south, says a "United Press" message.

Ralph Heinzen, "United Press" war correspondent with the French forces pointed out, however, that General Weyand's slow retreat across northern France has been one of the most masterly retreats in the face of overwhelming odds in history.

"Nowhere," says Heinzen in a special despatch, "has Germany been able to conduct an important French force or break through the continuous French line."

Exhausting Effort
"The German effort must soon be spent."

"They may capture Paris but behind the former capital Weyand's lines are completely intact, ready to launch the great counter-offensive as soon as Germany's effort weakens."

Meanwhile, "United Press" quotes official French communiqués which state that the battle for Paris is now raging with increased violence.

West of the city, the German forces who have crossed the Seine River, are attacking south of Rouen and motorised Panzer units are now pouring over the bridgeheads at Louviers, Les Andelys and Vernon, their immediate objectives being Pacy and Evreux, on the Eure River.

German High Command communiqués claim that German vanguards have entered Chalons, on the Marne River. Chalons is the seat of the Marne Provincial Government and was last occupied by German forces in September, 1914.

What Envoy Told Nazis
WASHINGTON, June 14 (Reuter).—The Department of State has issued the text of the message transmitted by Mr. William C. Bullitt, the American Ambassador to France, to Berlin upon the request of the French authorities.

The message notifies the German Army that Paris is an open city and that military forces are being withdrawn.

The message also says that Mr. Bullitt would remain in Paris "to be of any assistance possible and seeing to it that the transfer of the government to Vichy takes place without loss of human life."

WAR CASUALTY LISTS
Latest casualty lists, received by air mail, may be inspected at the Hongkong Telegraph office, Second Floor. They include an Admiralty list of 597 names.

GERMANS START NEW OFFENSIVE



THE MAP ABOVE illustrates the area of the new German offensive, which is believed to be aimed at compromising the true Maginot Line. The Germans are reported to be pushing in two directions between the Marne and Aisne Rivers towards the Meuse, apparently in the direction of Verdun and Metz, where they hope to fetch up in the rear of the impregnable French fortifications. (See Story on Page 1)

NANKING'S REQUEST

Wants Foreign Warships To Leave China

SHANGHAI, June 14 (Reuter).—Voluntary withdrawal of British, French and Italian troops and warships from China is requested by the Nanking Government in the form of a statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, states a report from Nanking.

A request is made "to maintain peace and order and also protect the lives and property of the Chinese in areas where troops and warships of the belligerents are stationed."

"Unexpected Eventualities"
It is stressed that the withdrawal is urged to prevent "unexpected eventualities."

The declaration is approved by Wang Ching-wei and other Nanking leaders.

The statement also announced that the Nanking Government would not recognise the transfer by a belligerent power of rights and interests in China to the government of any other nation.

"It is declared that the 'National Government' will take effective measures to annul such transfers, which would be an insult to the sovereignty of China and liable to cause conflicts."

U.S. Aid For Allies

Ambassador Sees Lord Halifax

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
LONDON, June 13 (UP).—Mr. Joseph Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador, was in conference with Lord Halifax to-day.

It is believed they discussed the question of further U.S. assistance to the Allies.

America continues to be the source of France's greatest hopes, states a despatch from Ralph Heinzen in Paris.

France's Big Hopes
The French are convinced that if the United States increases—or even maintains—the flow of materials across the Atlantic, the Allies can still drive off their enemies after Hitler's first effort has been wholly spent.

The official French reaction continues to be resolutely optimistic with the general theme that "there is still plenty of room in France to fight in."

It has been announced in Washington that President Roosevelt promised full material aid to the Allies before receiving M. Reynaud's cabled request for American aid.

Reynaud's Last Appeal
NEW YORK, June 13 (Reuter).—"I addressed to-day a new and last appeal to President Roosevelt," declared M. Paul Reynaud, the French Premier, in a broadcast to-day.

Now Measure Proposed
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
WASHINGTON, June 13 (UP).—A conference of the joint leaders of the Senate and House of Representatives has unanimously agreed to a Bill with the following provisions:

1.—To grant the President authority to trade in surplus military equipment, thus making it available to the Allies;

2.—To remove the limit authorised for the number of Army planes and pilots;

3.—To authorise the President to issue an embargo on the supply of war materials and machine tools by the United States to any country;

Acceptance of the report by both Houses of Congress is considered certain.

Robbed On Ship's Gangway
While walking down the gangway of a ship at Kowloon Docks yesterday, Mr. Jensen, the ship's engineer, had his wallet containing HK\$40 and US\$435 stolen from his pocket. The loss was reported to the Police.

POLICE SERGEANT'S WIFE CONVICTED

Raid On House Reveals Big Gambling Den

Two Chinese women, one of them the wife of a European police-sergeant, were charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy this morning with keeping the ground floor of No. 230 Wanchai Road as a common gaming house. Defendants were Mrs. J. E. Jessop, alias Chan Yuet-ho, 33, and Leung Sing, 40, widow. They were defended by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, who pleaded not guilty in respect of Mrs. Jessop, and guilty for Leung.

On June 5, the door was opened to admit an informer, who had been a frequent visitor to the house. As seen as the door opened, the Police arrived at the psychological moment in cars, and while one constable held open the door, a detective went forward through the passage to a square opening, where gambling was in progress. There were two rooms forward of this opening and another beyond it, and the house was so constructed that it was impossible for anyone standing in the open door and looking down the passage not to be able to see what was going on there.

Mrs. Jessop was standing by a table with her arms enclosing two bowls of money.

Cross-examined by Mr. Russ, she said her attitude was that of one in charge of the money.

Sub-Insp. W. N. Darkin said he followed Yu into the house, and saw the first accused leave the table and walk into the passage. It was impossible for anyone living in the house not to know gambling was in progress, he said.

Testifying, Mrs. Jessop said she occupied the front sitting-room and bedroom with her husband and family, and sublet the rear portion, including the square opening, to Leung for \$100, including board and lodging. She had resided in the flat since April. At the time the Police arrived, Sgt. Jessop was home. He had just come in before the Police arrived, and was in the bedroom, where he was preparing to write a letter. She denied she was assisting in the gambling of this she had her arms around the bowls.

House Rent Of \$200
Cross-examined by Mr. Shaftain, defendant admitted the Government gave them a house allowance of \$110 a month. Her house rent was \$200 a month. Second defendant was her sub-tenant. Defendant said she did not use the room where gambling was going on. She had her meals in the kitchen, and when the Sergeant was home, he had his meals in the sitting-room.

Mr. Shaftain: Do you know that Government servants are not in fact allowed to sublet premises for which they receive a house allowance?—I don't know.

Do you know whether your husband ever reported to Government that he had sublet the house?

Mr. Russ queried the question, and his Worship also asked Mr. Shaftain what was the relevancy of it.

Mr. Shaftain replied he was only trying to bring out the fact that the premises were in fact not sublet. If Sgt. Jessop had sublet the flat and had not informed Government, he would have been dismissed. However, he did not wish to labour the question.

Defendant's Denials
Questioned further, Mrs. Jessop denied she was taking an important part in the gambling, and declared that what the Chinese detective had said was false.

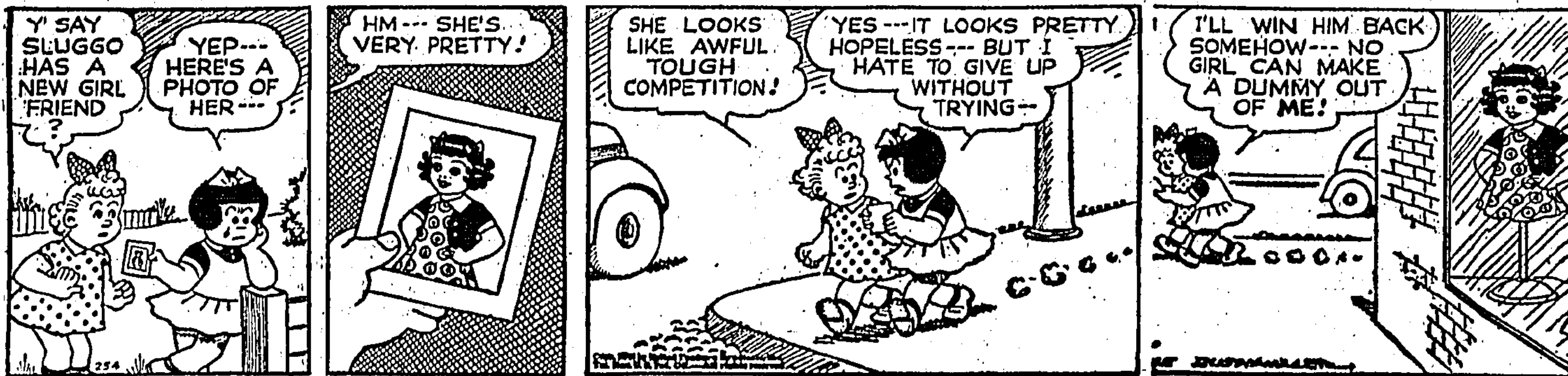
Leung said she was a sub-tenant of Mrs. Jessop, and declared Mrs. Jessop did not have her arms around the bowls when the Police arrived. To Mr. Shaftain, who asked how she could supervise alone 21 persons gambling, defendant said only seven were gambling and the rest were watching. She was not assisted by first accused.

Mr. Russ submitted that the only direct evidence against Mrs. Jessop was that of the Chinese detective, and that evidence was contradicted by the first and second accused. He suggested that the evidence of the detective was unreasonable and unreliable.

Mr. Sheldon said he had no doubt whatever that first accused was assisting in the game of dice, and convicted her.

Mother Of Six
Mr. Shaftain: With regards to the first defendant I am not asking for a heavy penalty because, as your

NANCY



Italians' Air Attack On Nairobi

ASMARA AND GURA BOMBED BY R.A.F.

CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. yesterday continued their attacks on Italian East Africa, bombing Asmara and Gura.

Direct hits destroyed hangars and buildings. All the aircraft returned.

One enemy fighter was shot down, two more are believed destroyed and a fourth damaged.

Blenheim bombers also raided Diredawa Aerodrome in Abyssinia, scoring direct hits on munition dumps and hangars. The blaze from a munition dump was visible 30 miles away.

Macaca Also Raided
A further raid was made on Macaca, near Asseb. A fuel dump was set on fire and barracks were extensively damaged.

After three days of continual hammering of Italian military objectives in Libya and Italian East Africa, the R.A.F. have demonstrated that their bombers make straight for their objectives, and they have also shot down many Italian fighters.

Air Raids In Africa
Nairobi, June 13 (Reuter).—A communiqué announces that British Moyana was twice raided by enemy aircraft yesterday.

One African tanker was slightly wounded. No damage was done.

Active Reconnaissance
The communiqué continued: "In the rest of the northern frontier district and in the coastal area, our machines were active on reconnaissance during Wednesday."

"Wajir was bombed at 6.30 this morning by three high-flying aircraft. Details of the damage are not yet reported, but the damage is considered to be slight."

"Two R.A.F. personnel were slightly wounded and one machine damaged."

"No penetration of Kenya territory has yet occurred from the ground, and all, it is reported, was quiet on the front this morning."

Italian Ships Take Refuge
MADRID, June 13 (Reuter).—A number of Italian merchantmen continue to take refuge in Spanish ports.

The official Spanish news agency reports that a French flying boat has arrived at Valencia where the authorities are questioning the crew.

Egypt's Defensive Policy
CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—Egypt's present policy regarding Italy is purely defensive.

However it is pointed out here that, fully respecting the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, she placed herself at the passive disposal of Britain to the extent of co-operation in matters of security and the providing of air, naval and military bases.

These must naturally be considered military objectives and will be liable to Italian attacks.

But if Italy attacks other Egyptian territory or bombs fall on purely Egyptian aerodromes, ports or towns or on civilians, Egypt will be forced to declare war.

Vatican Paper Closes
ROME, June 13 (Reuter).—The official Stefani Agency denies that the Vatican newspaper, the Osservatore Romano, has suspended publication, and says that the paper appeared as usual this afternoon.

Frontier Skirmish
CAIRO, June 13 (Reuter).—During a skirmish with Italians on the Egyptian-Libyan border, British troops captured two officers, 60 men and three machine-guns.

There were no British casualties.

Ban Lifted
WASHINGTON, June 13 (Reuter).—A Vatican City message states that the ban imposed by the Italian Government on the "Osservatore Romano" was lifted this afternoon after the newspaper had agreed to omit war news of every kind.

Earlier, the authorities had stated that the paper could not circulate if it continued to publish British, French, as well as Italian communications.

Theft From Bible Book Depot

Charged with the theft of five books from the Bible Book and Tract Depot, Queen's Building, Li Fong, 35, unemployed, was remanded for 24 hours by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning for finger-prints.

Det. Sgt. T. Cashman said Li was seen leaving the Building by a private watchman with the parcel of books under his right arm. When questioned, he admitted stealing the books from the Depot.

The New Frank Short was the complainant.

NON STOP RAIDS

Fires Rage In Towns Over Wide Belt

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—"Reuters" special correspondent with the R.A.F. somewhere in France telegraphs:

Almost non-stop raiding has been carried out by this week R.A.F. bombers operating in close liaison with bombers from England and the French Air Force. Bridges across the Seine, vital to the enemy's plan of encirclement of Paris, have been the chief objectives.

Fires have been raging in towns over a wide belt from the incessant aerial bombardment, which, started by the Germans bombing everything in the path of the advancing enemy, have been continued by Allied aircraft as the Germans pushed forward to occupy the bomb-scarred land.

So incessant have been the attacks that the squadrons engaged had barely time to file reports of results obtained before the tanks were refuelled and the deadly bomb racks reloaded before taking off again.

New fighters flown out overnight to strategic bases at once had taken their place with the older ones on the Western Front.

Odds Of 10 To 1
LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—An R.A.F. patrol of seven Hurricanes attacked 80 German planes over the battle-field in front of Paris to-day. They shot down five planes.

This battle is particularly noteworthy because the pilots are all from the Auxiliary Air Force, which is composed of businessmen who fly for fun during the week-end in peace time.

According to one pilot, however, they are used to heavy odds.

"Even these odds are ten to one," he said, "they just waste it."

All Bridges Destroyed
LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—It is reported that all bridges over the Seine in a 60 mile line from Rouen to Monteville have now been destroyed by Allied bombers.

The enemy mechanised units are trying to build pontoon bridges but are being continuously attacked by our planes.

Bad Weather Conditions
PARIS, June 13 (Reuter).—A French air communiqué issued to-day states that owing to unfavourable weather conditions the activity of the French Air Force has considerably lessened during the past 24 hours.

Squadrons of light bombers attacked German positions, concentrations and lines of communication with bombs and machine-gun fire.

Dropped 1,000 Bombs
LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the first of yesterday's air raids on German communications, medium bombers dropped nearly 1,000 incendiary and many high explosive bombs on the woods at La Mare, where strong forces of enemy infantry and supplies were concentrated.

Large fires were still burning fiercely when further raiders arrived to bomb the same target later.

At Saissaut, a bomb fell on an ammunition train, causing such a terrific explosion that over half a mile above, the wind-screen of an aircraft was torn off.

SECRET SESSION ON JUNE 20
LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The secret session to debate Home Defence, which was postponed on Tuesday, will now be held on June 20, stated Mr. C. R. Attlee, the Lord Privy Seal.

The debate might be wider in scope than Home Defence, according to circumstances.

There will also be a secret session of the House of Lords on June 20 on Home Defence.

700 Italians Leave Great Britain

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—The first train-load of 700 Italians to leave Great Britain left London to-night for Glasgow, where they will embark for Lisbon.

Port Said Arrests
PORT SAID, June 13 (Reuter).—A further 100 Italians have been arrested here.

This brings the total up to 300. The Italian Minister has been given his passport. He will leave by the first available ship.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO June 14, 1890.

A Munich film has made a carriage which is propelled by gas generated from benzine or analogous material. The motor, which is not viable from the outside, is placed in the rear of a three wheeled carriage over the main axle, and the benzine used in its propulsion is carried in a closed copper receptacle secured under the seat, from which it passes, drop by drop, to the generator. The speed of the motor is absolutely under control, and can be regulated by a lever. A speed of about ten miles an hour can be attained.

A new phonograph, said to be much simpler than any other so far introduced, has lately appeared in Milan. It can reproduce music and the human voice in a most marvellous manner, and one of its features is its cheapness. The wax cylinders used cost only 25 centimes.

The alarm girdle for men-of-war or harbour, to protect them from the sudden attack of torpedo-boats at night, as proposed for use in France, consists of wire supports by means of which the vessel is all round the vessel. Should an enemy break through the line at night a light flares up.

25 YEARS AGO June 14, 1915.

While a great deal is heard of the interest and enthusiasm of the country before the whole truth—or as much of it as may be told without prejudice to the nation's honour—concerning the fighting on the Continent, a similar modesty on the part of the Admiralty is not to be expected. This is a "Globe" correspondent writes.

We have now been at war nearly three years, and the country has not heard a single word from the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet, save for a few remarks from the Admiralty. The Admiralty has been silent since the outbreak of the war. The Admiralty has been silent since the outbreak of the war.

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Evacuation Precaution

Necessity Emphasised In The Commons

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Minister of Health, in the course of the debate on evacuation, said there were two quite different reasons for which evacuation of a large part of the population of an area might take place.

Firstly an area might become an area of actual military operations in which our forces are engaged against the enemy. Should that take place, any persons still left after the evacuation would best serve the situation by remaining where they were not crowding the roads as refugees.

Secondly large industrial areas are likely to be targets for enemy attacks from the air. These places have their defences, but there will be greater safety in dispersal.

Opposed To Compulsion
With regard to general evacuation from the evacuation areas, the Government was against compulsion.

Firstly, the Government could not give a guarantee that evacuees would be safe. Secondly, scores of thousands of parents would refuse to be separated from their children in this time of anxiety.

Any attempt at compulsion would mean that thousands of Police would be taking parents to prison. There were limits to which the Government could go and they would have to abide by the voluntary principle.

Dominions Offer
LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Miss Florence Horsburgh, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Health, replying to the debate on evacuation, said they had now the chance of areas not confined to this country—the Dominions and the United States.

They had been considering how best they could reply to these generous offers.

It had been suggested that if children were sent to the United States, it would only be those whose parents could afford to send them beyond these islands who would go.

"In a very few days," Miss Horsburgh said, "it may be made clear to those who wish their children to go beyond these islands, that they will be given the opportunity, and that it will not be only those who can afford to send their children who will be the only ones to send them."

Workers Give Up Holidays
Magnificent Response By British Labour

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. Asquith, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, reported that there has been a magnificent response to the Government request for a general postponement or cancellation of the holidays during the crisis.

This has been requested so that there will be no interference in the production of munitions.

It will also leave transport as free as possible for evacuation and civil defence needs.

Must Not Slacken
Mr. Asquith further declared that the production of munitions has been greatly accelerated.

"But we must beware," he added, "of any slackening. As far as is humanly possible we must continue for some time to come at the same high pressure."

Nevertheless arrangements would be made to provide rest periods.

MURDER CHARGE WITHDRAWN
Charges of murder and robbery against Cheung Chai-on, waste-food dealer of 151, Connaught Road West, were withdrawn to-day at the Southern District Court.

Cheng Wah-sing, 25, fisherman, and Cheng Shi-shun, 28, junk-master both of Cheung Chau, were remanded on similar charges until June 21. They were alleged to have robbed Fung Lan-lai of \$39 and murdered a woman, Fung Tai-mui, on board a boat at Cheung Chau on June 5.

Inspector L. R. Whan, appeared for the prosecution, Mr. H. A. de B. Botelho for the defendants.

Non-Belligerent Spanish Policy

MADRID, June 13 (Reuter).—Spain's decision to adopt a policy of non-belligerency is published in all newspapers as an official note, presumably on instructions from higher quarters.

The note says that to-day's official bulletin will contain the following decree signed by General Franco: "With the extension of the war to the Mediterranean by Italy's entry into the war with France and England, the Government has decided on the non-belligerency of Spain in the conflict."

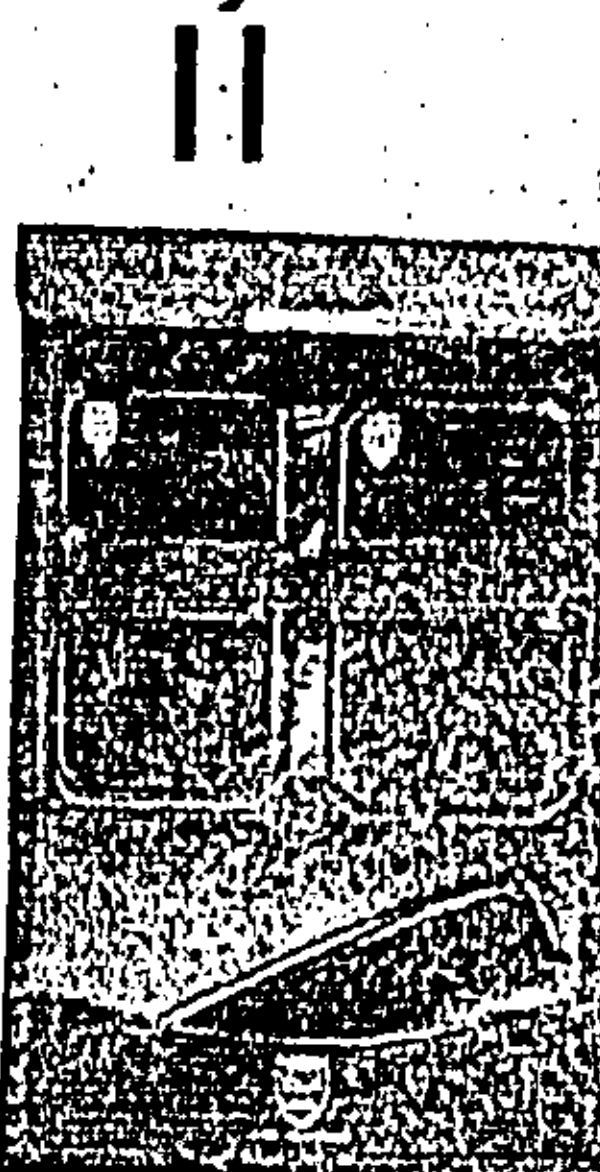
PROHIBITION OF EXPORT

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—As a result of Italy's entry into the war, the Board of Trade has made an order whereby the export of all classes of goods to Bulgaria, Greece, Hungary, Liechtenstein, Rumania, Switzerland, Yugoslavia, and the Black Sea ports of the U.S.S.R. has been prohibited except under licence.

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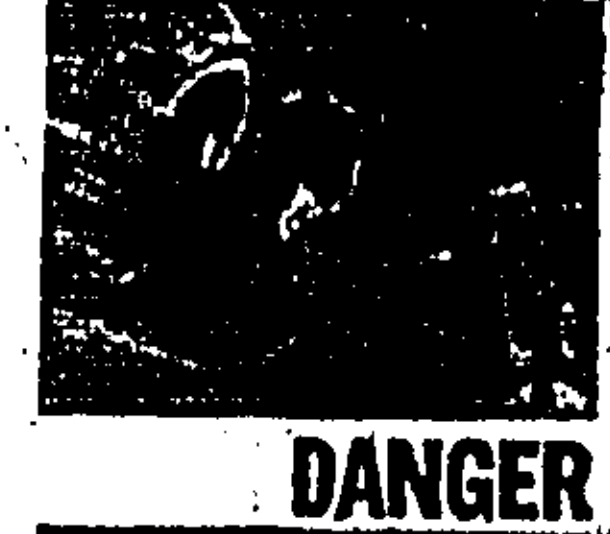
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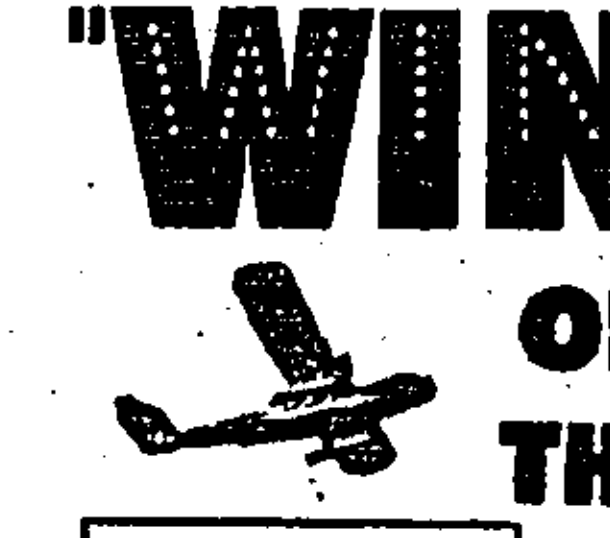
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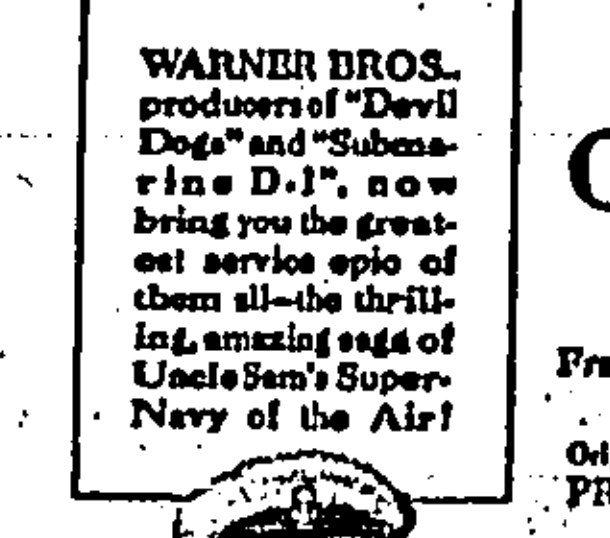
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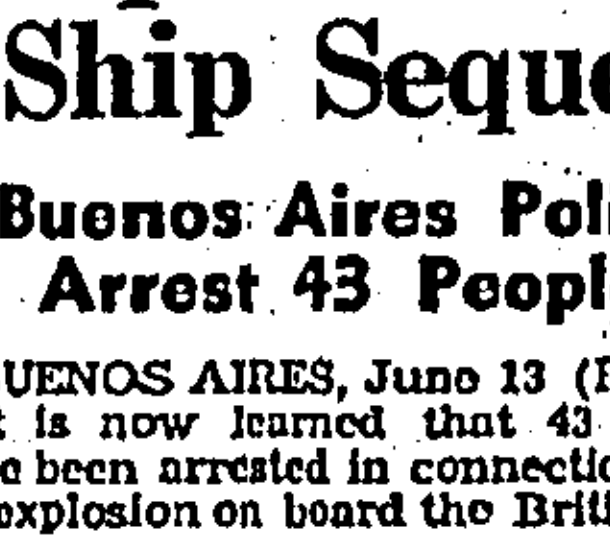
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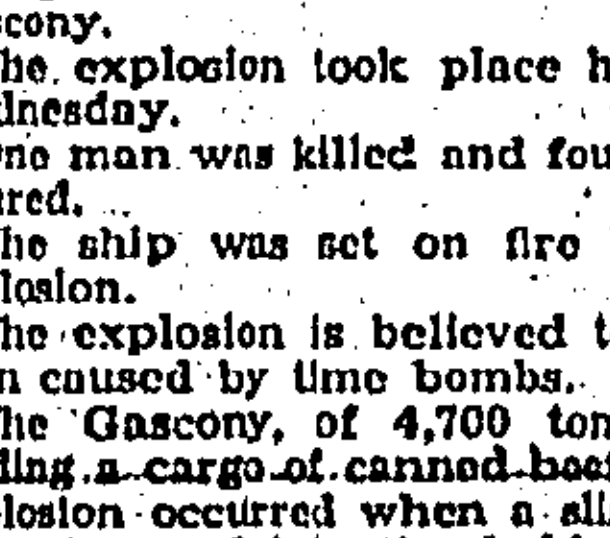
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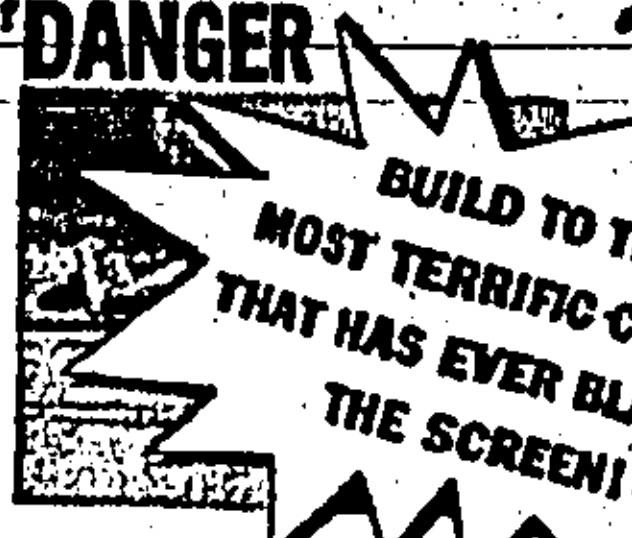
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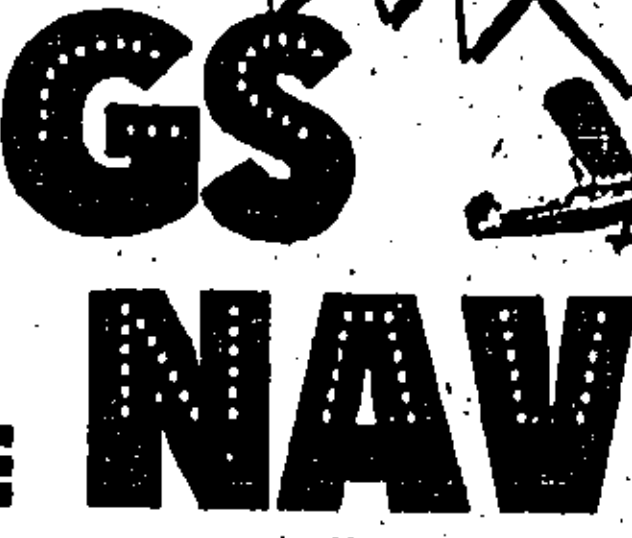
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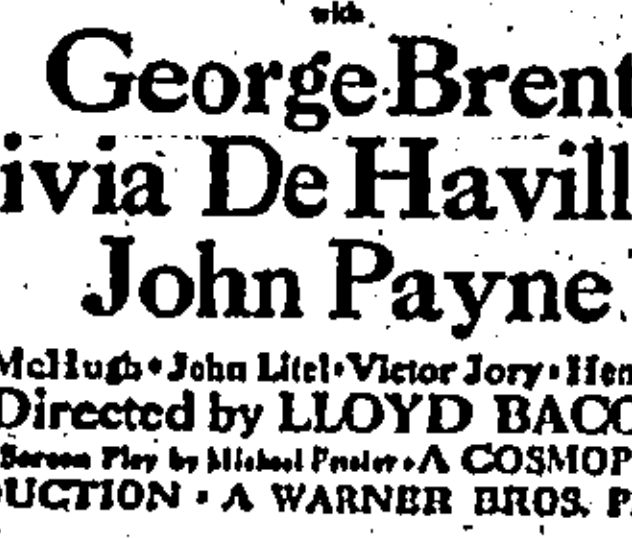
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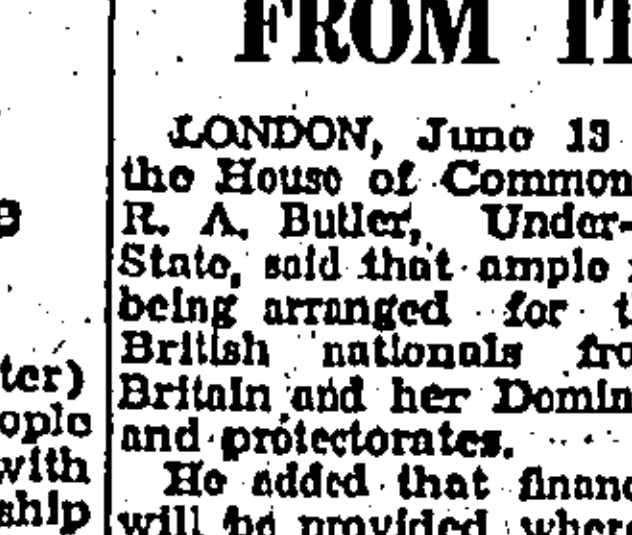
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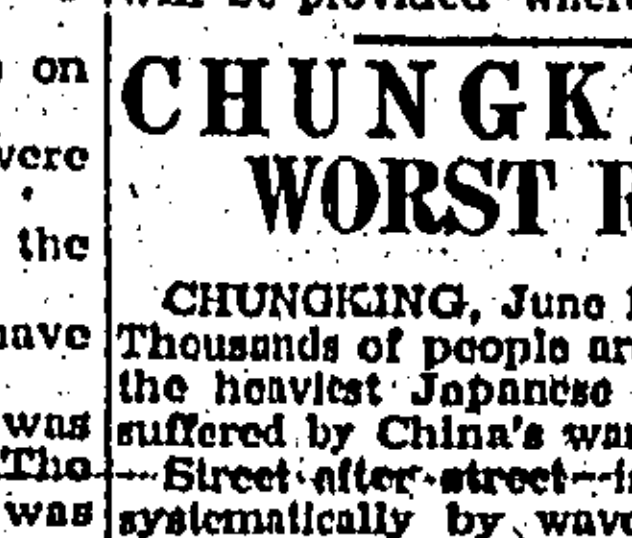
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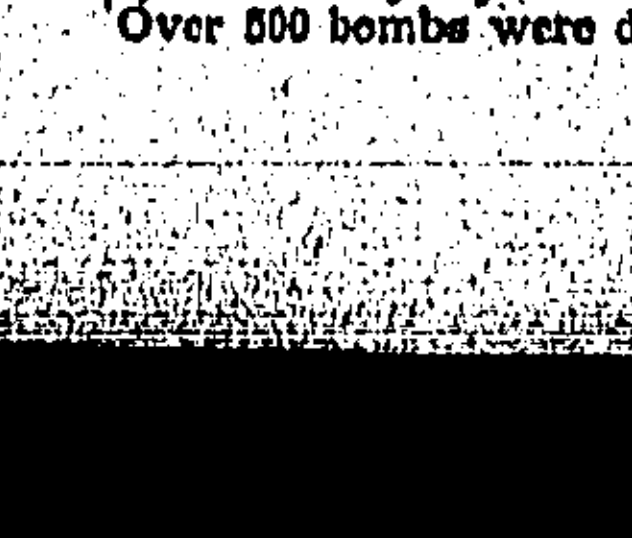
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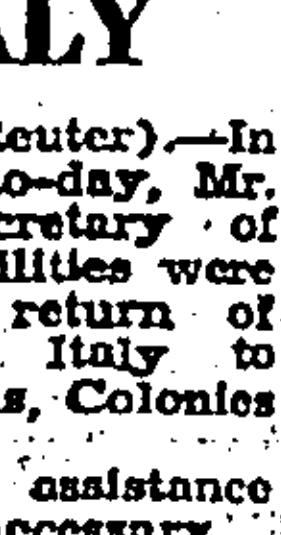
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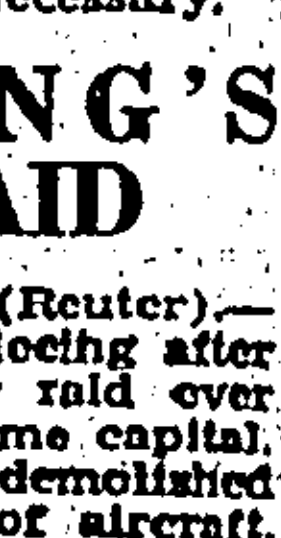
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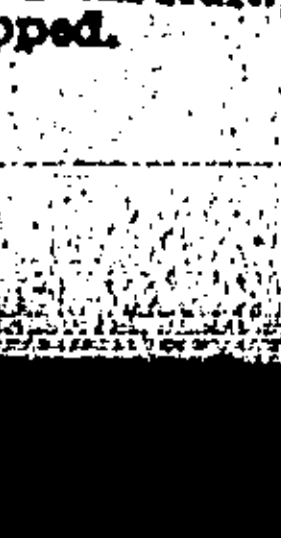
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Explosion On Ship Sequel

Buenos Aires Police Arrest 43 People

BUENOS AIRES, June 13 (Reuter).—It is now learned that 43 people have been arrested in connection with an explosion on board the British ship Gascony.

The explosion took place here on Wednesday.

One man was killed and four were injured.

The explosion is believed to have been caused by time bombs.

The Gascony, of 4,700 tons, was loading a cargo of canned beef. The explosion occurred when a sling was being lowered into the hold.

REPATRIATION FROM ITALY

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State, said that ample facilities were being arranged for the return of British nationals from Italy to Britain and her Dominions, Colonies and protectorates.

He added that financial assistance will be provided where necessary.

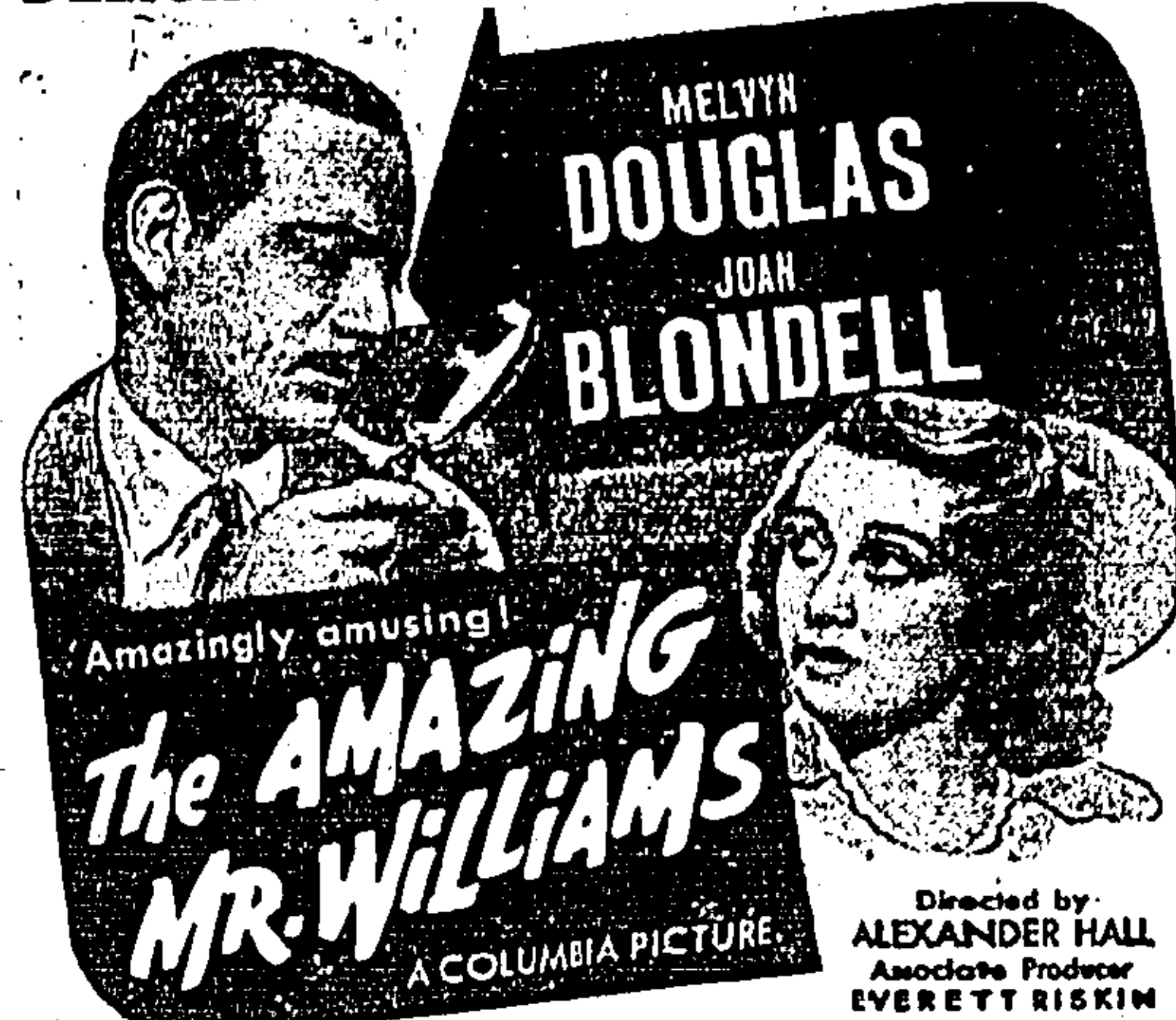
CHUNGKING'S WORST RAID
CHUNGKING, June 13 (Reuter).—Thousands of people are fleeing after the heaviest Japanese air raid ever suffered by China's war-time capital.

Street after street is demolished systematically by waves of aircraft. Over 500 bombs were dropped.

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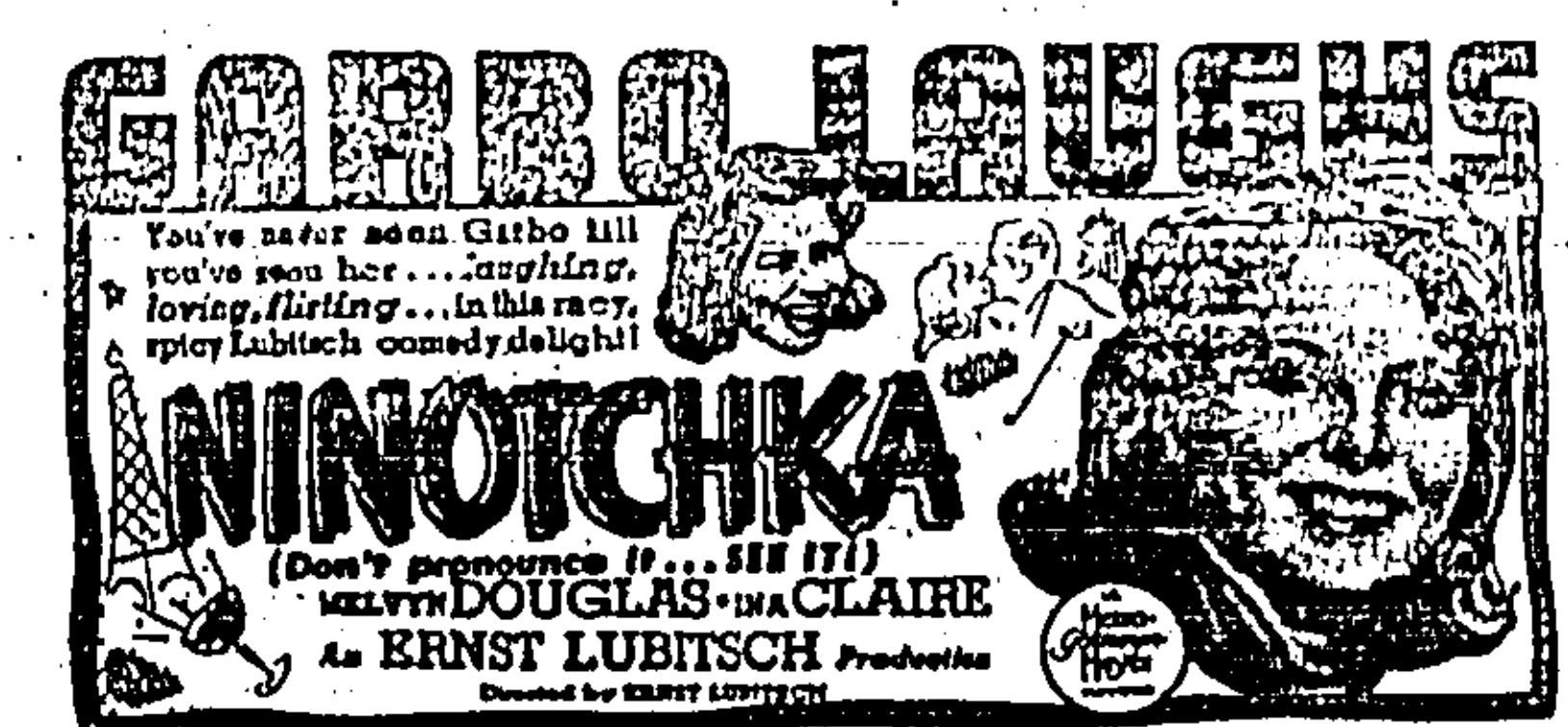


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STOCK EXCHANGE EASIER

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, early firmness was not maintained owing to the extreme quietness of trading, but gilt-edged holdings recovered to around the opening levels.
Most of the other groups showed small net losses.
Wall Street was higher.

Canadian Defence Minister Named

OTTAWA, June 13 (Reuter).—Col. the Hon. J. L. Ralston, Canadian Minister of Finance, has been appointed as Minister of National Defence in succession to the late Mr. Norman McLeod Rogers, who was killed in an air crash.
Colonel Ralston is continuing in his present position, however, until the Budget is presented next week.

New Threat To Maginot Line Seen

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SIMULTANEOUSLY with the drive on Paris, Germans have opened a new offensive in the Aisne-Marne sector which apparently has as its object the flanking of the true Maginot Line.

A spokesman of the Ministry of National Defence stated this morning that there are distinctive signs that the German forces now attacking with considerable strength in the Rheims sector are directing their attacks north-eastwards towards the Maginot Line.

The German onslaughts along the Aisne in the Argonne Forest area, coupled with the furious onslaughts in the Rheims area, have compelled the French forces to withdraw towards the front extending from Verdun to Vitry in order to prevent themselves from becoming outflanked and encircled.

South of Rheims, the Germans claim to have occupied Chalons, on the Marne River.

CITY MURDER

SALESMAN'S GRAPHIC STORY

The salesman in Messrs. Sennet Freres who, although "frightened," ran towards the alleged bandit and pinned his arms behind his back during the sensational hold-up in the well-known city jewelry establishment on May 2 told his own story at the Central Magistracy this morning when the charge of murder was resumed against Li Hung-tai.

Li, aged 20, is charged before Mr. R. Edwards with the murder of Mr. J. Dubois, Manager of Sennet Freres, who was mortally wounded during the hold-up.

Mr. L. D. Walsh, Proprietor of Messrs. Sennet Freres, was the first witness to give evidence to-day.

He said that Mr. Dubois had been Manager of the Hongkong branch since 1937. Witness identified two rings in Court as the property of the firm. One ring, he said, was on consignment for a customer.

Witness received two bullets from Ng, a salesman in the employ of the firm, on May 3. He handed them to Sgt. J. Allen, of the Police.

Salesman's Story

There was a stir of excitement in the crowded court when the next witness, Ng Knu-chak, entered the witness-box.

He told the court he had been employed as a salesman at Sennet Freres for four years.

"At about 5.15 p.m. on May 2, I was sitting by the counter with my back to the Gloucester Arcade," he said.

"Mr. Dubois was sitting at his desk, facing Peider Street, talking to a friend. Another salesman was gathering some jewelry from a show window.

"My attention was attracted by this salesman running behind me.

"I heard someone say in Cantonese: 'Don't move.'

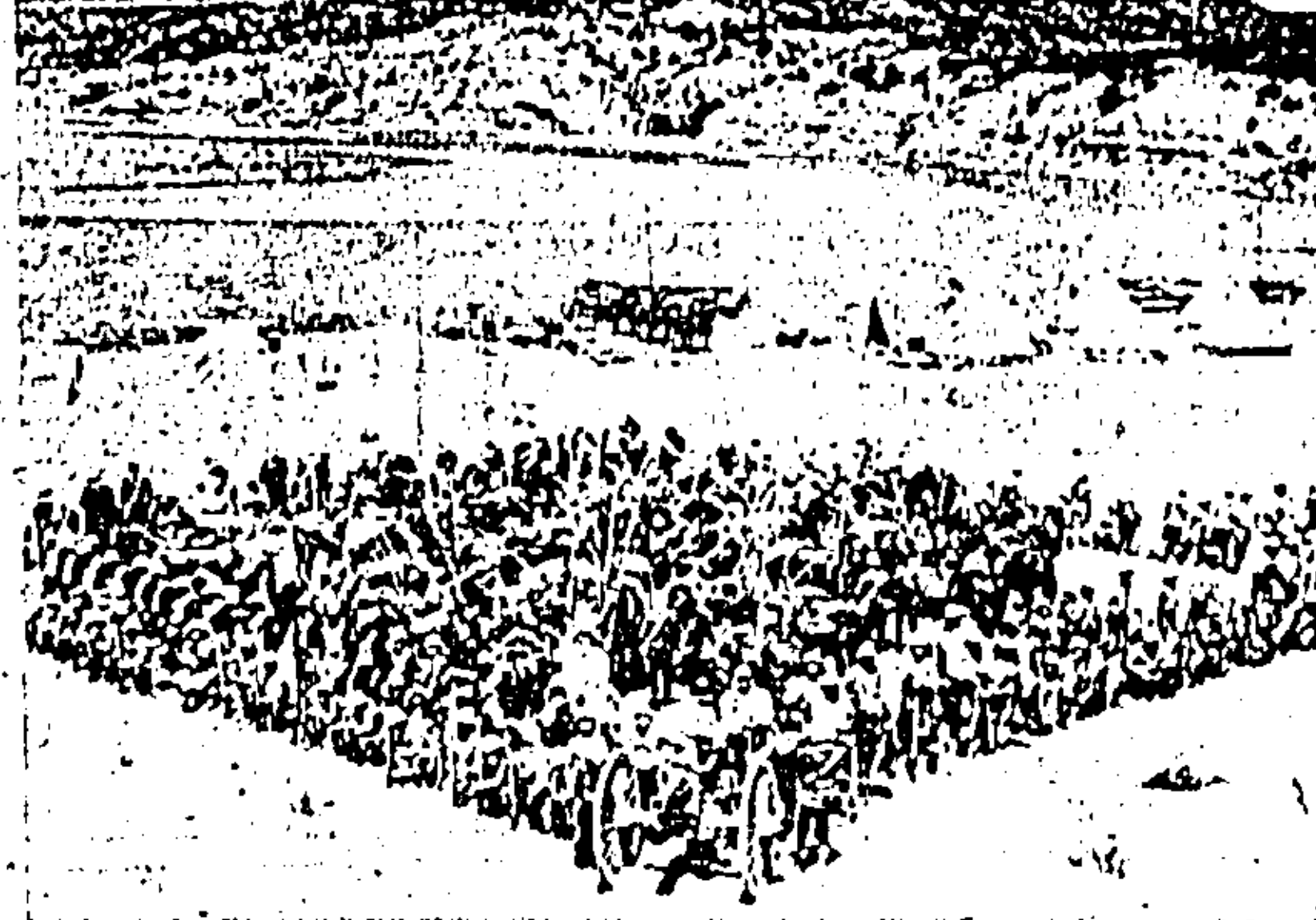
"He fired at me."

"I stood up and he fired at me (pointing to accused).

"He took some rings from the left show window with his free hand, meanwhile pointing his gun at us with his right hand.

"I became frightened and retreated towards us. I then started forward and placed my arms around the robber's arm from behind him.

"He still held the gun in his right hand and I forced him against the show window.



The well-known hollow battalion square, illustrated in photograph above from the film "The Light That Failed" was introduced, strangely enough, by the Germans, in the war against Austria in 1740—two centuries ago. At that time it represented that most modern method of defence, being considered impregnable almost up to the time of Waterloo. It was employed extensively by the British forces, especially in Egypt, the Sudan and India. The method, now used again by Britain to defeat the new methods of warfare used by the Germans, was vividly illustrated in the films "The Four Feathers" and "The Light That Failed."

Square Formation To Protect All Sides

Old Defence Technique As Answer to Germans

LONDON, June 13 (Reuter).—Swift moving tanks and parachute jumpers have brought back the old British "square" into modern warfare, writes an "eye-witness" with the British Army in France.

REICH-TURKEY AGREEMENT

BERLIN, June 13 (Reuter).—The official news agency announced to-night that an agreement has been reached for an exchange of goods with Turkey to the value of 21,000,000 Turkish pounds.

It is added that the agreement will be signed within the next few days.

Speculation Aroused

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ANKARA, June 14 (Domel).—Considerable speculation has been aroused by the signing in Ankara of a new trade agreement between Turkey and Germany.

The new agreement provides for an exchange of commodities to the maximum of £21,000,000.

Diplomatic observers are paying considerable attention to this agreement in view of the existing pact of Mutual Assistance between Turkey, Great Britain and France, under which Turkey is bound to come to the assistance of the Allies if they are engaged in hostilities in the Mediterranean.

Italy's entry into the war should render this pact operative against Italy, although not necessarily against Germany.

SNATCHED \$500 BUT CAUGHT

For snatching a parcel containing \$500, a cheque on the Bank of China for \$450 and a Pass book, Lum Ming, 18, unemployed, was given four months' hard labour by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Sgt. P. O. Guild said when Siu Pik-tai, 20, a shop assistant, was waiting along Bonham Strand West with a parcel tucked to his girlie, Lum ran past him and snatched the parcel. A private watchman gave chase and arrested Lum. The money was recovered.

For returning to the Colony after he had been expelled for five years, Lam was given another six weeks' hard labour.

DEATH

BOTELHO. Suddenly on Thursday, June 13, 1940, in Taikong, Pedro Vicente Botelho, dearly beloved husband of Maria R. de Botelho, age 62 years.

The troops, he says, must be prepared for an attack from the front, rear and flanks when holding a position.

A certain battalion defending an important city and bridge-head have just used this formation with great success.

They held the attack by German tanks and infantry for several hours. At the same time they destroyed six tanks, one light field gun, one aeroplane and eight parachute jumpers with very few losses on the British side.

Officer's Description

A British officer who participated told "Eye-witness" that the battalion occupied positions on the important cross-roads with five anti-tank guns facing the line of the German advance.

Simultaneously, they posted other men all round to cover the flanks and rear.

"We soon discovered," said the officer, "that this was a wise precaution."

"After waiting for several hours the attack suddenly burst upon us. Down the road came six German tanks in line ahead with the infantry who were marching in single file on each side.

"Our anti-tank guns immediately opened fire and our machine-guns fired on the infantry.

"The tanks stopped and tried to turn away but three were knocked out very quickly.

"Then machine-gun fire was opened on us from the rear.

"A German motor-cycle combination with machine-gun had made its way behind us. Our positions which were guarding the rear fired on the driver and killed him.

"Then an aeroplane appeared flying low and dropped parachute troops.

"I think they intended to drop in our rear but they landed in front of us.

"We opened heavy fire as they touched the ground. Almost all of them were killed.

"Our anti-tank guns fired at the aeroplane and hit it. The plane came crashing to the ground. We then knocked out a field gun which was shelling us."

SHANGHAI, June 14 (Reuter).—M. Henry Cosme, the French Ambassador, is leaving Shanghai for Peking on June 16 for his summer vacation, reports the "Sin Wan Pao."

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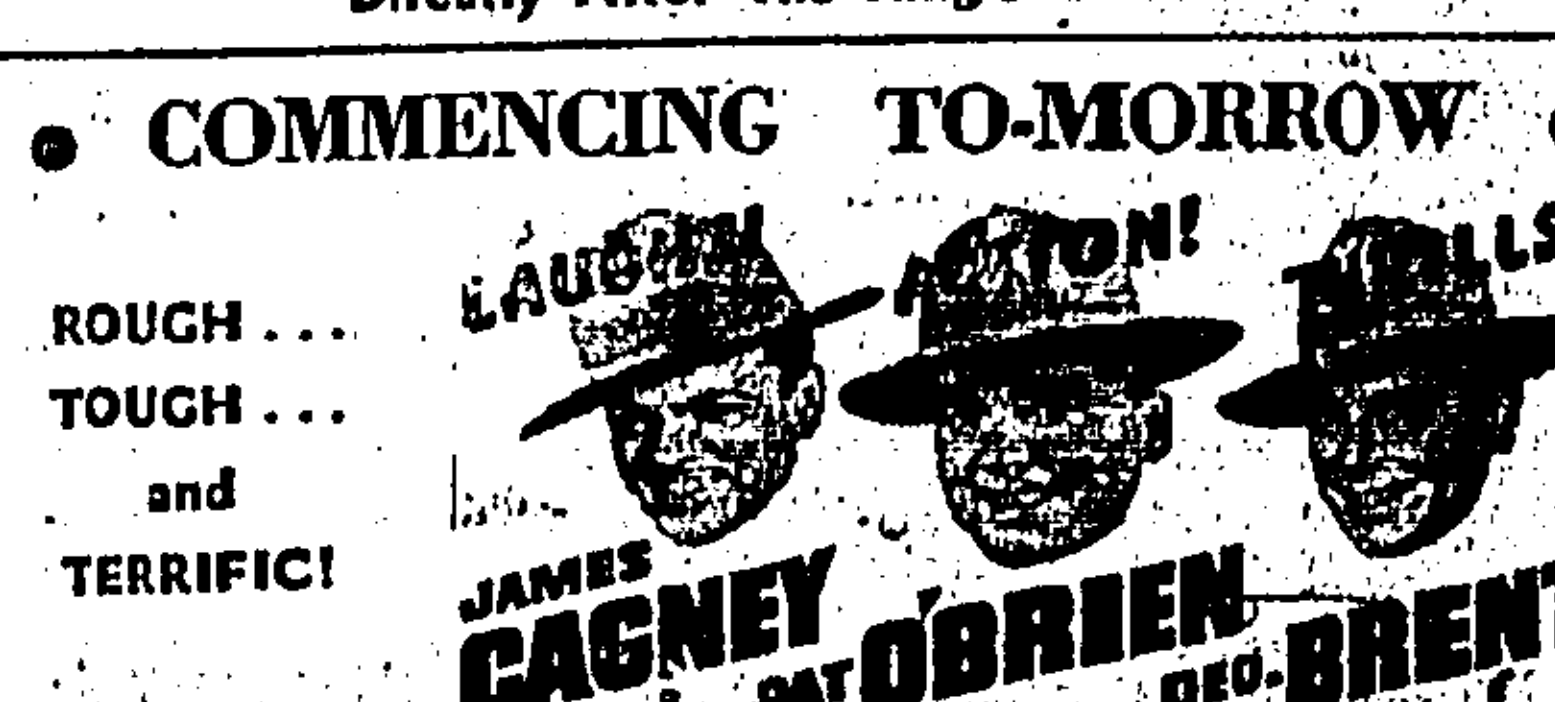
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